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In the Contents, page one, page numbers of series containing seasonally adjusted indicators are marked with asterisks. The seasonally adjusted statistics shown in this issue have been revised following a re-analysis of the series in accordance with the procedures indicated in the introductory notes of *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1969*.

Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these and other series are given in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1969*, issued by this Bureau in May 1969, which contains original and seasonally adjusted data in tabular and graphical form for eighty-three selected series. The seasonally adjusted indicators included therein are up-dated in relevant monthly and quarterly publications of this Bureau.

As well as being adjusted for normal seasonal factors, some of the statistical series included in the Review have been adjusted for the effects of some calendar irregularities, namely: 'trading-day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in the month) and the influence of moveable holidays, i.e., Easter and Australia Day. The adjustments made to each series are indicated in Appendix B of *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1969*.

For explanatory matter on seasonal adjustment of National Accounts see the supplement to the December Quarter 1967 issue of *Quarterly Estimates of National Income and Expenditure*.

GRAPHS

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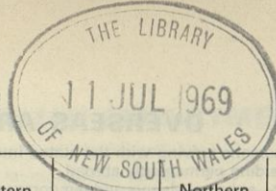
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POPULATION

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Date	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
30 June—									
1957	3,625.0	2,656.3	1,413.1	873.2	687.6	326.1	21.1	(a)37.9	9,640.1
1958	3,692.0	2,718.5	1,439.2	896.8	699.6	333.1	22.1	41.2	9,842.3
1959	3,759.8	2,785.9	1,468.2	920.9	712.1	339.4	24.1	(a)46.1	10,056.5
1960	3,832.5	2,857.4	1,495.9	945.3	722.1	343.9	25.6	52.4	10,275.0
1961(b)(c)	3,918.5	2,930.4	1,527.5	971.5	(d)746.8	350.3	(d)44.5	58.8	d10,548.3
1962(e)	3,986.9	2,983.1	1,551.0	987.5	766.0	355.7	46.0	66.2	10,742.3
1963	4,050.0	3,040.8	1,577.9	1,010.7	788.3	360.7	48.5	(a)73.4	10,950.4
1964	4,107.9	3,105.5	1,610.7	1,038.0	808.4	364.3	51.5	(a)80.3	11,166.7
1965	4,175.4	3,164.4	1,644.5	1,067.6	825.5	367.9	53.9	(a)88.5	11,387.7
1966(c)	4,237.9	3,220.2	1,674.3	1,095.0	848.1	371.4	56.5	96.0	11,599.5
1967	4,306.9	3,274.4	1,701.6	1,111.5	876.4	376.4	59.3	(a)103.6	11,810.2
1968	4,382.4	3,324.2	1,732.3	1,125.2	909.4	382.0	62.5	112.8	12,030.8
31 March—									
1969p	4,458.6	3,375.3	1,761.1	1,140.9	939.3	387.9	64.9	119.9	12,248.1

(a) Based on Population Count of Canberra. (b) Excludes full-blood Aborigines prior to 30 June 1961. (c) Population at Census date. The difference between the statistics as here published and those shown in Census publications, which exclude full-blood Aborigines, cannot be taken as reliable statistics of the full-blood Aboriginal population. (d) Includes an estimate for full-blood Aborigines out of contact at the Census. (e) State population estimates from 30 September 1961 have been prepared by a new method (for explanation see Summary of Vital and Population Statistics, page 2).

VITAL AND POPULATION STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA

Period	Marriage registrations (a)	Birth registrations (a)	Death registrations (a)	Natural increase (a)(b)	Net overseas migration gain(c)	Population(d)—	
						Increase (e)	At end of period
Quarterly average						('000)	('000)
1958-59	18,458	56,495	22,013	34,482	19,289	53.5	10,056.5
1959-60	18,859	57,157	22,056	35,101	19,779	54.6	10,275.0
1960-61	19,091	59,459	22,199	37,260	21,297	58.3	(f)(g)10,548.3
1961-62	19,393	59,611	22,480	37,131	12,103	48.5	10,742.3
1962-63	20,180	58,660	23,309	35,351	17,431	52.0	10,950.4
1963-64	20,610	58,138	24,425	33,713	21,102	54.1	11,166.7
1964-65	22,570	56,018	25,156	30,862	25,139	55.2	11,387.7
1965-66	23,781	55,638	25,175	30,463	23,097	53.0	(f)11,599.5
1966-67	24,496	57,052	26,307	30,745	21,844	52.7	11,810.2
1967-68	25,628	57,991	26,167	31,824	23,340	55.2	12,030.8
Quarterly total							
1965-66—							
March	24,861	54,792	22,272	32,520	26,337	58.1	11,563.5
June	25,008	55,044	24,899	30,145	6,045	36.0	(f)11,599.5
1966-67—							
September	20,476	56,298	31,740	24,558	21,429	46.1	11,645.6
December	25,701	56,492	25,018	31,474	33,115	64.8	11,710.4
March	27,058	57,405	23,010	34,395	28,145	62.5	11,772.9
June	24,749	58,012	25,458	32,554	4,684	37.2	11,810.2
1967-68—							
September	21,428	57,579	29,559	28,020	26,225	54.2	11,864.4
December	26,765	56,300	24,676	31,624	32,855	64.5	11,928.9
March	27,303	58,117	24,253	33,864	28,034	61.9	11,990.8
June	27,013	59,964	26,180	33,784	6,244	40.0	12,030.8
1968-69—							
September	23,244	61,619	33,329	28,290	40,032	68.3	12,099.1
December	28,785	61,206	25,787	35,419	38,743	74.2	12,173.3
March				p38,272	35,538	p74.8	p12,248.1

(a) Excludes particulars of full-blood Aborigines prior to 1 January 1967. (b) Excess of births registered over deaths registered. (c) Excess of recorded overseas arrivals over recorded overseas departures. (d) Excludes full-blood Aborigines prior to 30 June 1961. (e) Increase consists of natural increase, net overseas migration gain and an adjustment to make the series of increases agree with the total intercensal increase revealed by successive censuses. (f) Population at Census date. The difference between the statistics as here published and those shown in Census publications, which exclude full-blood Aborigines, cannot be taken as reliable statistics of the full-blood Aboriginal population. (g) Includes an estimate for full-blood Aborigines out of contact at the Census.

OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Permanent movement—persons arriving with the stated intention of settling permanently in Australia, and Australian residents departing with the stated intention of residing permanently abroad.

Long-term movement—arrival of visitors and temporary departure of residents with the stated intention of staying (in Australia or in a country abroad respectively) for twelve months or more, and the departure of visitors and return of Australian residents who have stayed (in Australia or in a country abroad respectively) for twelve months or more.

Short-term movement—all other overseas arrivals and departures, including those of Australian troops irrespective of period of stay, and U.S. troops visiting Australia on rest and recreation leave. The latter are classified for statistical purposes as short-term visitors.

Crew members, persons passing through Australia on board the same ship or on the same flight (variously called direct transit passengers or 'through' passengers) and passengers on short pleasure cruises commencing and finishing in Australia on ships not then engaged in regular voyages, are excluded from these statistics.

Arrivals

Period	Permanent movement	Long-term movement		Short-term movement			Total arrivals	Excess of total arrivals over total departures
	Settlers arriving	Residents returning	Visitors arriving	Residents returning	Visitors arriving			
					Original	Seasonally adjusted		
Monthly average								
1963-64	10,193	1,922	1,181	9,978	11,135	..	34,409	7,034
1964-65	11,679	2,005	1,374	12,338	13,481	..	40,877	8,380
1965-66	12,005	2,273	1,538	14,234	14,989	..	45,039	7,699
1966-67	11,556	2,597	1,673	16,879	16,540	..	49,245	7,281
1967-68	11,461	3,086	1,945	20,014	21,455	..	57,961	7,780
Monthly total								
1967-68—								
March	13,492	2,926	2,208	18,460	24,444	23,238	61,530	5,737
April	12,590	2,400	1,659	16,767	21,481	22,722	54,897	983
May	11,811	2,417	1,954	19,429	22,186	23,463	57,797	1,629
June	13,835	2,514	1,666	18,385	19,169	24,521	55,569	3,632
1968-69—								
July	12,135	2,660	1,964	17,950	19,820	23,748	54,529	11,578
August	14,481	3,192	1,635	22,266	24,793	25,499	66,367	10,609
September	11,861	3,101	1,811	26,121	21,919	24,161	64,813	17,845
October	15,372	2,975	1,685	23,676	30,251	27,870	73,959	20,034
November	15,282	3,061	1,616	21,076	30,199	28,895	71,234	15,694
December	14,528	4,795	1,700	18,035	37,622	28,548	76,680	3,015
January	14,369	3,850	3,036	35,737	28,483	28,235	85,475	17,463
February	11,814	2,830	2,829	20,708	28,582	27,289	66,763	11,067
March	16,836	3,186	2,564	21,547	32,093	30,733	76,226	8,008
April								

Departures

Period	Permanent movement		Long-term movement		Short-term movement		Total departures
	Former settlers departing (a)	Other residents departing	Residents departing	Visitors departing	Residents departing	Visitors departing	
Monthly average							
1963-64	722	602	3,328	1,027	10,137	11,559	27,375
1964-65	856	569	3,558	1,137	12,461	13,916	32,497
1965-66	1,364	550	4,315	984	14,484	15,643	37,340
1966-67	1,703	735	4,479	1,059	16,559	17,429	41,964
1967-68	1,960	660	4,320	1,043	19,579	22,619	50,181
Monthly total							
1967-68—							
March	1,530	570	3,928	1,097	22,358	26,310	55,793
April	1,917	607	4,862	1,020	21,769	23,739	53,914
May	1,620	559	3,679	965	24,110	25,235	56,168
June	1,761	734	3,964	929	22,917	21,632	51,937
1968-69—							
July	1,226	534	3,577	935	17,567	19,112	42,951
August	2,532	745	4,766	1,016	21,442	25,257	55,758
September	2,236	697	3,762	946	15,420	23,907	46,968
October	2,271	564	3,895	815	17,101	29,279	53,925
November	2,769	696	4,047	1,164	16,772	30,092	55,540
December	1,925	736	4,319	1,553	35,933	29,199	73,665
January	2,273	845	6,055	1,376	19,841	37,622	68,012
February	1,204	629	3,855	978	18,366	30,664	55,696
March	2,110	708	5,413	1,380	25,411	33,196	68,218
April							

(a) Excludes persons who stated on departure that they had come to Australia to settle and had stayed for a period of less than twelve months.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in rural industry and private domestic service)

See footnote (a), page 6, concerning the pending revision of this series.

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Month	Civilian employees in main industry groups									Total civilian employees		
	Manufacturing (b)	Building and construction	Transport and storage	Finance and property	Commerce	Public authority activities (n.e.i.)	Community and business services (c)	Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	Other industries (d)	Private employers	Government authorities	Total
Males												
1964—June	e920.9	290.0	192.5	92.1	381.2	105.7	178.3	78.2	230.5	1,762.3	707.0	2,469.3
1965—June	952.2	299.0	e197.9	96.9	392.9	110.1	186.4	83.2	234.5	e1,834.7	718.4	e2,553.1
1966—June	955.2	310.1	201.8	101.7	396.1	116.5	195.0	87.9	242.3	1,861.5	745.1	2,606.6
1967—June	965.9	299.0	201.9	105.4	398.4	122.5	201.8	92.0	248.4	1,878.4	756.9	2,635.3
1968—June	987.1	310.0	206.2	109.3	406.4	128.2	212.6	97.7	257.1	1,934.6	779.8	2,714.4
1967—												
October	972.0	300.7	204.1	105.0	401.6	123.6	203.3	94.7	249.2	1,895.5	758.6	2,654.1
November	977.5	303.0	204.8	105.1	407.3	124.2	203.7	95.4	250.0	1,910.0	760.9	2,670.9
December	973.5	301.9	204.5	105.6	410.3	125.0	204.1	97.6	253.3	1,910.8	765.0	2,675.8
1968—												
January	975.6	301.2	204.5	107.1	406.0	126.4	206.0	97.2	254.1	1,910.9	767.2	2,678.1
February	984.6	304.9	204.6	108.8	406.0	126.6	210.0	97.8	255.9	1,925.0	774.2	2,699.2
March	987.4	306.3	204.6	109.3	405.6	127.0	210.4	97.8	255.8	1,928.2	776.0	2,704.2
April	985.4	308.8	205.2	109.2	405.5	127.6	211.3	97.6	256.0	1,928.2	778.2	2,706.4
May	986.1	310.0	205.9	109.3	406.3	128.0	211.8	97.7	257.1	1,932.5	779.6	2,712.1
June	987.1	310.0	206.2	109.3	406.4	128.2	212.6	97.7	257.1	1,934.6	779.8	2,714.4
July	988.7	309.8	206.1	109.4	405.5	128.4	212.6	98.0	257.6	1,936.4	779.9	2,716.3
August	989.5	309.8	206.9	109.3	406.5	128.7	213.0	98.4	257.5	1,940.8	778.6	2,719.4
September	991.1	310.5	206.6	109.2	407.7	129.0	213.6	99.8	256.0	1,946.2	777.2	2,723.4
October	992.1	309.1	207.4	109.2	409.6	129.2	213.9	99.9	255.8	1,951.9	774.3	2,726.2
November	995.8	311.2	208.3	109.2	416.5	129.6	214.7	101.3	256.4	1,966.7	776.4	2,743.1
December	993.2	309.6	208.9	109.8	422.3	130.9	215.6	103.4	259.7	1,971.4	781.9	2,753.3
1969—												
January	997.4	309.9	209.3	111.7	416.2	131.5	217.6	103.0	259.8	1,973.6	782.9	2,756.5
February	1,002.0	311.9	209.3	113.6	414.6	132.3	221.1	102.4	260.7	1,980.6	787.3	2,767.9
Females												
1964—June	277.6	5.8	18.1	60.0	221.7	39.1	255.5	86.0	27.7	815.1	176.3	991.4
1965—June	293.8	6.6	19.4	63.6	233.1	42.0	269.5	93.5	29.6	863.2	187.8	1,051.0
1966—June	297.1	7.1	21.0	67.5	242.4	46.2	283.7	100.0	31.2	894.4	201.8	1,096.2
1967—June	305.5	7.5	21.7	70.1	251.0	49.4	296.6	105.5	32.6	927.1	212.7	1,139.8
1968—June	313.2	8.2	22.7	73.1	258.3	51.9	314.5	113.1	33.5	964.3	224.2	1,188.5
1967—												
October	310.4	7.7	21.9	69.5	253.9	50.2	299.6	108.5	33.2	940.5	214.5	1,155.0
November	312.1	7.8	22.0	69.9	261.0	50.8	300.4	109.4	33.7	951.2	215.9	1,167.1
December	309.2	7.8	21.9	70.4	262.6	50.9	298.0	110.7	34.4	951.1	214.8	1,165.9
1968—												
January	308.5	7.9	22.1	71.5	254.6	51.2	299.2	110.3	33.7	943.2	215.9	1,159.1
February	315.3	8.0	22.2	72.9	254.7	51.5	307.1	111.5	33.7	954.9	222.0	1,176.9
March	317.6	8.1	22.6	73.1	255.2	51.5	310.9	112.6	33.6	962.3	222.7	1,185.0
April	313.0	8.2	22.6	72.8	255.9	51.5	311.8	113.0	33.7	959.5	223.1	1,182.6
May	313.3	8.2	22.7	73.0	258.0	51.7	312.9	113.1	33.6	963.0	223.6	1,186.6
June	313.2	8.2	22.7	73.1	258.3	51.9	314.5	113.1	33.5	964.3	224.2	1,188.5
July	313.5	8.3	22.7	73.3	257.5	52.8	315.5	113.4	33.4	965.0	225.3	1,190.3
August	314.0	8.4	22.7	73.1	257.8	52.9	316.0	114.3	33.5	967.7	225.0	1,192.7
September	315.9	8.5	22.9	72.9	260.3	52.8	317.9	115.4	33.6	974.5	225.7	1,200.2
October	317.6	8.5	23.0	72.9	264.1	52.6	318.5	116.1	34.2	981.3	226.1	1,207.4
November	319.9	8.6	23.1	73.4	270.2	53.3	319.1	117.6	34.6	992.4	227.5	1,219.9
December	317.5	8.6	23.3	74.1	274.3	53.7	316.8	118.8	35.5	995.3	227.1	1,222.4
1969—												
January	316.3	8.6	23.5	75.9	266.9	54.1	317.8	118.0	34.7	988.4	227.4	1,215.8
February	322.4	8.8	23.4	77.3	265.1	54.3	326.6	118.2	34.7	994.6	236.1	1,230.7

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WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in rural industry and private domestic service)

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Month	Civilian employees in main industry groups										
	Manufacturing (b)		Building and con- struction	Transport and storage	Finance and property	Commerce		Public authority activities (n.e.i.)	Com- munity and business services (c)	Amuse- ment, hotels, personal service, etc.	Other in- dustries (d)
	Original	Season- ally adjusted				Original	Season- ally adjusted				
Persons											
1959—June	1,051.8	1,057	266.9	201.6	116.2	520.9	525	124.5	337.7	139.3	245.9
1960—June	1,110.7	1,116	272.0	202.2	126.5	542.7	547	125.2	356.5	143.7	247.0
1961—June	1,055.1	1,060	279.7	207.4	134.6	552.6	557	129.6	374.5	148.9	250.8
1962—June	1,105.7	1,111	280.9	201.9	137.7	559.7	564	133.6	393.5	149.0	251.5
1963—June	1,139.1	1,143	287.1	204.2	142.8	580.3	584	138.9	412.0	156.4	254.1
1964—June	1,198.5	1,201	295.8	210.6	152.1	602.9	606	144.8	433.9	164.2	258.2
1965—June	1,246.1	1,248	305.6	217.3	160.4	625.9	629	152.1	455.9	176.7	264.1
1966—June	1,252.3	1,254	317.2	222.8	169.1	638.5	642	162.7	478.7	187.8	273.5
1967—June	1,271.4	1,273	306.5	223.6	175.5	649.3	652	172.0	498.4	197.5	281.0
1968—June	1,300.2	1,301	318.2	228.9	182.5	664.7	668	180.1	527.0	210.8	290.5
1967—											
January	1,260.0	1,264	305.2	223.4	173.2	649.6	648	169.6	481.5	197.3	278.8
February	1,273.1	1,265	306.9	223.3	175.2	648.8	649	170.4	492.2	197.3	279.9
March	1,277.0	1,266	305.3	223.8	175.5	647.3	649	171.6	494.2	198.2	279.5
April	1,274.2	1,270	305.9	223.8	175.6	648.8	650	171.8	495.4	197.8	279.2
May	1,272.5	1,271	308.3	223.9	175.4	649.6	651	172.3	497.4	198.2	280.3
June	1,271.4	1,273	306.5	223.6	175.5	649.3	652	172.0	498.4	197.5	281.0
July	1,271.4	1,274	306.2	223.5	175.2	646.9	653	173.0	499.1	197.8	281.6
August	1,272.4	1,277	306.8	224.4	174.8	649.1	655	173.3	500.6	200.0	282.0
September	1,276.7	1,281	307.3	224.9	174.7	651.4	656	173.4	501.6	201.5	281.9
October	1,282.3	1,285	308.5	226.0	174.5	655.5	657	173.8	502.9	203.2	282.4
November	1,289.6	1,288	310.8	226.8	175.0	668.3	658	175.0	504.1	204.8	283.6
December	1,282.7	1,289	309.7	226.4	176.0	672.9	659	175.9	502.1	208.3	287.7
1968—											
January	1,284.1	1,288	309.1	226.7	178.6	660.6	659	177.6	505.2	207.5	287.8
February	1,299.9	1,292	312.9	226.8	181.7	660.7	661	178.1	517.2	209.3	289.7
March	1,305.0	1,293	314.4	227.2	182.3	660.8	663	178.4	521.3	210.4	289.4
April	1,298.4	1,295	316.9	227.8	182.0	661.4	663	179.1	523.1	210.5	289.7
May	1,299.4	1,298	318.2	228.6	182.4	664.3	666	179.7	524.7	210.7	290.7
June	1,300.2	1,301	318.2	228.9	182.5	664.7	668	180.1	527.0	210.8	290.5
July	1,302.2	1,305	318.1	228.8	182.7	662.9	669	181.2	528.2	211.4	291.0
August	1,303.5	1,308	318.2	229.6	182.3	664.3	671	181.6	529.0	212.7	291.0
September	1,306.9	1,311	319.0	229.5	182.1	668.0	673	181.8	531.5	215.2	289.6
October	1,309.7	1,313	317.6	230.4	182.1	673.8	675	181.8	532.4	215.9	290.0
November	1,315.7	1,314	319.9	231.4	182.6	686.7	676	183.0	533.8	218.9	291.0
December	1,310.7	1,317	318.2	232.2	183.9	696.6	682	184.6	532.4	222.1	295.1
1969—											
January	1,313.7	1,318	318.5	232.8	187.6	683.1	681	185.7	535.4	221.0	294.5
February	1,324.5	1,317	320.7	232.7	190.9	679.6	680	186.6	547.7	220.6	295.4

(a) The figures in this table, except those relating to government employees, are based on comprehensive data from the Population Censuses of June 1954 and June 1961. Estimates for months subsequent to June 1961 are derived from current pay-roll tax returns, returns of government employment, other direct records of employment, and estimates of the number of employees not covered by these collections. The figures are not directly comparable with statistics derived from the 1966 Population Census, for which new work force definitions were adopted. Estimates for June 1966 and subsequent months will be revised as soon as possible. The new series, which will be at a higher level than the present series, will be based on 1966 census benchmarks. In due course the estimates for periods prior to the census of June 1966 will be revised, but on a basis comparable with that of the 1961 census benchmarks, the information needed to revise these benchmarks on the 1966 census basis not being available.

(b) Includes employees engaged in selling and distribution, etc., as well as those occupied directly in manufacturing activity.

(c) Includes law and order; religion and social welfare; health services; education; and other community and business services.

(d) Includes forestry, fishing and trapping; mining and quarrying; electricity, gas, water and sanitary services; and communication.

(e) Affected by industrial disputes.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT^(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in rural industry and private domestic service)

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Month	Total males		Total females		Total persons					
					Private		Government		Total	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
1959—June	2,186	2,186	819	823	2,211	2,220	794	790	3,005	3,009
1960—June	2,257	2,257	870	874	2,328	2,338	799	795	3,127	3,132
1961—June	2,264	2,265	869	873	2,309	2,318	824	820	3,133	3,138
1962—June	2,308	2,308	906	910	2,371	2,379	842	839	3,214	3,218
1963—June	2,376	2,376	939	942	2,452	2,459	863	859	3,315	3,318
1964—June	2,469	2,468	991	995	2,577	2,583	883	880	3,461	3,463
1965—June	(b)2,553	2,552	1,051	1,054	(b)2,698	2,702	906	903	(b)3,604	3,606
1966—June	2,607	2,606	1,096	1,099	2,756	2,760	947	944	3,703	3,704
1967—June	2,635	2,635	1,140	1,142	2,806	2,810	970	967	3,775	3,776
1968—June	2,714	2,714	1,189	1,191	2,899	2,903	1,004	1,001	3,903	3,904
1967—										
January	2,622	2,623	1,116	1,123	2,782	2,787	956	960	3,739	3,746
February	2,634	2,623	1,133	1,129	2,800	2,790	967	961	3,767	3,751
March	2,633	2,623	1,139	1,130	2,805	2,791	967	962	3,772	3,752
April	2,633	2,626	1,139	1,137	2,805	2,800	968	963	3,773	3,763
May	2,638	2,632	1,140	1,139	2,808	2,806	970	966	3,778	3,772
June	2,635	2,635	1,140	1,142	2,806	2,810	970	967	3,775	3,776
July	2,635	2,640	1,140	1,145	2,804	2,815	971	970	3,775	3,785
August	2,640	2,648	1,143	1,149	2,812	2,824	972	973	3,783	3,797
September	2,646	2,656	1,148	1,152	2,822	2,832	972	976	3,794	3,808
October	2,654	2,665	1,155	1,156	2,836	2,842	973	979	3,809	3,821
November	2,671	2,672	1,167	1,160	2,861	2,850	977	983	3,838	3,833
December	2,676	2,676	1,166	1,165	2,862	2,856	980	985	3,842	3,841
1968—										
January	2,678	2,678	1,159	1,166	2,854	2,858	983	987	3,837	3,844
February	2,699	2,688	1,177	1,172	2,880	2,870	996	990	3,876	3,860
March	2,704	2,694	1,185	1,176	2,891	2,876	999	993	3,889	3,869
April	2,706	2,700	1,183	1,180	2,888	2,884	1,001	996	3,889	3,880
May	2,712	2,706	1,187	1,186	2,896	2,893	1,003	998	3,899	3,892
June	2,714	2,714	1,189	1,191	2,899	2,903	1,004	1,001	3,903	3,904
July	2,716	2,722	1,190	1,195	2,901	2,914	1,005	1,004	3,907	3,917
August	2,719	2,727	1,193	1,198	2,909	2,921	1,004	1,005	3,912	3,926
September	2,723	2,733	1,200	1,205	2,921	2,931	1,003	1,007	3,924	3,938
October	2,726	2,737	1,207	1,209	2,933	2,939	1,000	1,007	3,934	3,946
November	2,743	2,744	1,220	1,213	2,959	2,947	1,004	1,010	3,963	3,957
December	2,753	2,753	1,222	1,221	2,967	2,961	1,009	1,014	3,976	3,975
1969—										
January	2,757	2,757	1,216	1,223	2,962	2,966	1,010	1,014	3,972	3,980
February	2,768	2,756	1,231	1,225	2,975	2,965	1,023	1,017	3,999	3,982

(a) See footnote (a) on page 6.

(b) Affected by industrial disputes.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in rural industry and private domestic service)

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Month	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory (b)	Australia
Males									
1964—June	947.7	702.8	(c)316.8	229.4	164.3	77.4	8.9	21.9	2,469.3
1965—June(c)	976.9	723.5	329.1	239.9	171.5	78.4	9.5	24.2	2,553.1
1966—June	996.2	733.4	336.6	242.1	180.7	81.1	10.5	26.0	2,606.6
1967—June	1,006.4	744.8	335.2	243.2	183.9	82.7	11.6	27.4	2,635.3
1968—June	1,031.4	763.1	345.0	250.0	198.1	84.3	13.1	29.4	2,714.4
1967—									
July	1,004.3	744.0	336.8	243.3	184.9	82.3	11.9	27.5	2,634.8
August	1,006.5	745.0	337.5	243.7	185.2	82.3	12.0	27.8	2,640.0
September	1,008.6	746.4	338.0	243.8	186.7	82.4	12.0	28.0	2,645.8
October	1,011.8	748.8	337.8	245.1	188.3	82.1	12.0	28.2	2,654.1
November	1,017.8	755.0	338.1	246.7	190.3	82.5	11.8	28.6	2,670.9
December	1,020.7	759.2	332.6	247.4	191.6	83.7	11.6	28.8	2,675.8
1968—									
January	1,019.6	759.5	333.0	248.0	193.2	84.0	11.6	29.2	2,678.1
February	1,025.0	764.1	339.1	250.6	195.4	84.3	11.6	29.1	2,699.2
March	1,026.7	764.5	340.8	250.6	196.2	84.2	12.0	29.2	2,704.2
April	1,028.3	763.4	342.1	250.1	196.3	84.5	12.3	29.4	2,706.4
May	1,030.8	763.9	343.5	249.6	197.3	84.8	12.7	29.5	2,712.1
June	1,031.4	763.1	345.0	250.0	198.1	84.3	13.1	29.4	2,714.4
July	1,031.0	764.1	346.3	249.6	198.2	84.1	13.5	29.4	2,716.3
August	1,031.9	764.4	347.0	249.9	199.0	84.2	13.6	29.5	2,719.4
September	1,034.9	764.3	347.1	249.7	199.9	84.1	13.8	29.5	2,723.4
October	1,037.9	764.3	346.6	249.7	199.9	84.2	13.8	29.7	2,726.2
November	1,045.3	770.7	346.4	251.0	201.6	84.5	13.6	30.1	2,743.1
December	1,051.1	776.0	341.6	251.9	202.8	85.8	13.5	30.5	2,753.3
1969—									
January	1,050.1	775.7	344.8	252.7	203.1	85.8	13.5	30.7	2,756.5
February	1,052.6	778.6	347.7	254.3	204.4	85.9	13.6	30.9	2,767.9
Females									
1964—June	390.7	300.6	115.5	86.0	58.5	27.1	3.0	10.0	991.4
1965—June	412.6	316.3	123.1	93.4	62.7	28.1	3.2	11.5	1,051.0
1966—June	426.7	328.4	128.9	97.7	68.0	29.8	3.6	13.1	1,096.2
1967—June	443.4	340.9	133.9	99.7	72.4	30.9	4.1	14.4	1,139.8
1968—June	460.3	350.9	139.9	106.0	78.7	31.9	4.8	16.0	1,188.5
1967—									
July	443.0	341.1	134.4	99.8	72.4	30.5	4.1	14.5	1,140.0
August	444.6	341.9	134.7	100.2	72.8	30.4	4.2	14.7	1,143.4
September	446.8	342.6	135.3	100.5	73.0	30.4	4.2	14.9	1,147.7
October	449.8	344.3	136.2	101.3	73.7	30.5	4.2	14.9	1,155.0
November	454.7	348.3	136.8	102.5	74.7	30.8	4.2	15.1	1,167.1
December	454.8	347.9	136.5	102.5	73.5	31.4	4.2	15.3	1,165.9
1968—									
January	449.9	346.5	135.8	102.6	73.3	31.4	4.1	15.4	1,159.1
February	453.4	352.0	138.0	105.3	76.6	31.6	4.3	15.7	1,176.9
March	456.7	353.7	138.3	106.3	77.6	32.1	4.5	15.8	1,185.0
April	456.7	351.3	138.4	105.5	77.9	32.2	4.6	15.9	1,182.6
May	458.9	351.6	139.5	105.7	78.2	32.1	4.7	16.0	1,186.6
June	460.3	350.9	139.9	106.0	78.7	31.9	4.8	16.0	1,188.5
July	461.3	351.5	140.7	105.6	79.0	31.5	4.9	16.0	1,190.3
August	462.3	352.6	140.3	105.9	79.3	31.3	4.9	16.1	1,192.7
September	466.1	353.9	141.1	106.4	80.2	31.3	5.0	16.2	1,200.2
October	470.9	355.4	141.1	106.7	80.6	31.3	5.0	16.4	1,207.4
November	477.0	358.7	142.4	107.6	81.0	31.4	5.0	16.7	1,219.9
December	478.0	360.2	142.5	107.7	80.2	32.0	4.9	16.9	1,222.4
1969—									
January	474.8	358.7	141.0	107.5	80.2	31.8	4.9	16.8	1,215.8
February	475.9	364.6	143.6	109.0	83.3	31.8	5.1	17.4	1,230.7

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WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in rural industry and private domestic service)

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Month	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory (b)	Australia
Persons									
1959—June	1,157.6	875.2	387.7	269.5	193.3	93.6	8.8	19.0	3,004.7
1960—June	1,213.3	913.2	396.0	279.0	197.9	97.1	9.2	20.8	3,126.5
1961—June	1,220.1	909.8	393.8	279.8	199.7	98.1	9.6	22.3	3,133.2
1962—June	1,253.2	930.8	399.2	287.9	208.1	99.1	10.0	25.2	3,213.5
1963—June	1,285.0	960.6	413.4	300.5	214.9	100.4	10.9	29.1	3,314.8
1964—June	1,338.4	1,003.3	(c) 432.3	315.5	222.9	104.5	11.9	31.9	3,460.7
1965—June(c)	1,389.5	1,039.8	452.2	333.3	234.2	106.5	12.7	35.7	3,604.1
1966—June	1,422.9	1,061.8	465.5	339.8	248.7	110.9	14.1	39.1	3,702.8
1967—June	1,449.8	1,085.7	469.1	342.9	256.3	113.6	15.7	41.8	3,775.1
1968—June	1,491.7	1,114.0	484.9	356.0	276.8	116.2	17.9	45.4	3,902.9
1967—									
January	1,437.7	1,080.0	460.8	341.1	250.9	113.0	14.2	40.9	3,738.6
February	1,444.7	1,091.1	465.8	343.1	253.8	113.3	14.2	41.0	3,767.0
March	1,448.2	1,089.4	466.1	344.5	254.6	114.1	14.4	41.2	3,772.4
April	1,448.4	1,088.0	467.1	343.7	254.8	114.5	14.8	41.3	3,772.6
May	1,449.5	1,088.0	470.0	343.2	256.1	114.2	15.4	41.7	3,778.0
June	1,449.8	1,085.7	469.1	342.9	256.3	113.6	15.7	41.8	3,775.1
July	1,447.3	1,085.1	471.2	343.1	257.3	112.8	16.0	42.0	3,774.8
August	1,451.1	1,086.9	472.2	343.9	258.0	112.7	16.2	42.5	3,783.4
September	1,455.4	1,089.0	473.3	344.3	259.7	112.8	16.2	42.9	3,793.5
October	1,461.6	1,093.1	474.0	346.4	262.0	112.6	16.2	43.1	3,809.1
November	1,472.5	1,103.3	474.9	349.2	265.0	113.3	16.0	43.7	3,838.0
December	1,475.5	1,107.1	469.1	349.9	265.1	115.1	15.8	44.1	3,841.7
1968—									
January	1,469.5	1,106.0	468.8	350.6	266.5	115.4	15.7	44.6	3,837.2
February	1,478.4	1,116.1	477.1	355.9	272.0	115.9	15.9	44.8	3,876.1
March	1,483.4	1,118.2	479.1	356.9	273.8	116.3	16.5	45.0	3,889.2
April	1,485.0	1,114.7	480.5	355.6	274.2	116.7	16.9	45.3	3,889.0
May	1,489.7	1,115.5	483.0	355.3	275.5	116.9	17.4	45.5	3,898.7
June	1,491.7	1,114.0	484.9	356.0	276.8	116.2	17.9	45.4	3,902.9
July	1,492.3	1,115.6	487.0	355.2	277.2	115.6	18.4	45.4	3,906.6
August	1,494.2	1,117.0	487.3	355.8	278.3	115.5	18.5	45.6	3,912.1
September	1,501.0	1,118.2	488.2	356.1	280.1	115.4	18.8	45.7	3,923.6
October	1,508.8	1,119.7	487.7	356.4	280.5	115.5	18.8	46.1	3,933.6
November	1,522.3	1,129.4	488.8	358.6	282.6	115.9	18.6	46.8	3,963.0
December	1,529.1	1,136.2	484.1	359.6	283.0	117.8	18.4	47.4	3,975.7
1969—									
January	1,524.9	1,134.4	485.8	360.2	283.3	117.6	18.4	47.5	3,972.3
February	1,528.5	1,143.2	491.3	363.3	287.7	117.7	18.7	48.3	3,998.6

(a) See footnote (a) on page 6.
(c) Affected by industrial disputes.

(b) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory who reside in adjoining areas.

PERSONS REGISTERED FOR EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Source: Department of Labour and National Service)

STATES

(Persons)

Month(b)	N.S.W.(c)	Vic.	Qld	S.A.(d)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia *
1964—June	18,400	10,137	7,558	4,339	5,141	2,968	48,543
1965—June	15,670	8,771	8,360	3,533	3,576	2,235	42,145
1966—June	22,837	14,026	9,735	7,357	3,370	1,695	59,020
1967—June	24,957	16,152	13,025	8,484	3,757	2,116	68,491
1968—June	20,808	19,595	10,252	8,359	4,151	2,088	65,253
1967—							
November	24,068	15,288	12,432	6,244	3,029	1,961	63,022
December	24,252	23,930	18,195	10,304	3,844	3,064	83,589
1968—							
January	29,024	25,665	21,625	11,366	5,360	3,173	96,213
February	24,776	20,852	17,659	9,006	4,466	2,390	79,149
March	21,595	19,227	14,972	8,308	3,626	1,635	69,363
April	20,795	19,582	13,347	8,118	3,430	1,714	66,986
May	20,949	19,850	12,767	8,192	3,666	1,922	67,346
June	20,808	19,595	10,252	8,359	4,151	2,088	65,253
July	20,424	18,361	8,414	8,018	4,282	1,933	61,432
August	17,865	15,705	7,244	7,107	3,599	2,021	53,541
September	16,363	14,132	6,618	6,207	3,150	1,892	48,362
October	16,419	13,399	6,237	5,716	2,901	1,816	46,488
November	21,647	13,652	11,896	6,043	3,177	(e) 3,347	59,762
December	24,911	24,246	17,327	9,140	4,437	3,100	83,161
1969—							
January	26,855	24,859	18,466	11,031	5,429	3,339	89,979
February	23,276	18,006	15,864	9,038	4,833	2,628	73,645
March	19,294	13,929	13,466	7,381	3,954	2,160	60,184
April	18,900	14,214	11,786	7,274	4,160	1,957	58,291

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Month	Males		Females		Persons	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
1964—June	25,305	25,244	23,238	23,260	48,543	48,421
1965—June	22,403	22,470	19,742	19,976	42,145	42,382
1966—June	36,066	36,163	22,954	23,372	59,020	59,517
1967—June	43,166	43,225	25,325	25,853	68,491	69,110
1968—June	39,351	39,332	25,902	26,460	65,253	65,791
1967—						
November	36,792	41,004	26,230	27,753	63,022	68,643
December	52,613	40,205	30,976	27,407	83,589	67,702
1968—						
January	60,305	41,300	35,908	27,408	96,213	68,728
February	45,879	40,637	33,270	26,840	79,149	67,419
March	39,644	41,658	29,719	27,420	69,363	69,037
April	39,190	41,221	27,796	26,947	66,986	68,130
May	40,577	41,629	26,769	26,727	67,346	68,332
June	39,351	39,332	25,902	26,460	65,253	65,791
July	37,685	39,324	23,747	25,847	61,432	65,255
August	32,637	37,425	20,904	25,443	53,541	62,810
September	28,663	36,868	19,699	25,345	48,362	62,288
October	27,568	38,318	18,920	25,004	46,488	63,145
November	35,862	39,897	23,900	25,208	59,762	64,931
December	53,860	41,321	29,301	25,867	83,161	67,439
1969—						
January	57,110	39,120	32,869	25,039	89,979	64,215
February	43,452	38,462	30,193	24,394	73,645	62,812
March	34,499	36,162	25,685	23,737	60,184	59,892
April	34,298	36,032	23,993	23,232	58,291	59,240

(a) Persons who claimed, when registering with the Commonwealth Employment Service, that they were not employed and who were recorded as unemployed. Includes those referred to employers and those who may have obtained employment without notifying the C.E.S. Includes also persons receiving unemployment benefit. (b) Generally at Friday nearest end of month. (c) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (d) Includes the Northern Territory. (e) Affected by earlier school leaving dates.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see below.

VACANCIES REGISTERED WITH COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE(a)

(Source : Department of Labour and National Service)

STATES

(Persons)

Month(b)	N.S.W.(c)	Vic.	Old	S.A.(d)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia *
1964—June	12,090	14,141	4,540	3,425	1,143	601	35,940
1965—June	15,602	17,901	3,769	4,356	2,422	639	44,689
1966—June	10,734	13,751	3,239	1,507	2,965	825	33,021
1967—June	10,384	11,459	2,345	1,342	2,411	1,394	29,335
1968—June	11,416	9,411	2,605	1,591	2,630	1,069	28,722
1967—							
November	15,219	13,387	3,456	2,089	4,284	2,935	41,370
December	14,846	17,617	2,979	3,659	3,470	2,849	45,420
1968—							
January	15,878	18,762	2,858	3,128	3,890	2,106	46,622
February	14,335	13,460	2,603	2,076	3,803	2,119	38,396
March	13,212	11,942	2,614	1,992	3,769	1,458	34,987
April	12,148	10,188	2,480	1,769	3,720	1,163	31,468
May	11,887	9,678	2,719	1,785	3,307	1,186	30,562
June	11,416	9,411	2,605	1,591	2,630	1,069	28,722
July	12,465	9,958	2,612	1,715	2,530	948	30,228
August	13,879	10,967	2,970	1,844	3,067	1,038	33,765
September	15,985	11,922	3,026	2,090	3,597	1,020	37,640
October	17,857	12,754	3,210	2,400	4,013	1,063	41,297
November	19,673	12,664	3,027	2,375	4,314	1,802	43,855
December	18,028	16,865	2,970	3,826	3,720	1,677	47,086
1969—							
January	16,359	19,194	2,769	3,016	4,133	850	46,321
February	15,001	14,876	2,275	2,520	5,048	1,025	40,745
March	15,124	13,200	2,131	2,210	5,111	859	38,635
April	13,409	12,296	2,025	2,316	4,828	728	35,602

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Month	Males		Females		Persons	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
1964—June	26,002	34,091	9,938	12,829	35,940	46,926
1965—June	32,071	41,897	12,618	16,259	44,689	58,242
1966—June	22,116	28,803	10,905	13,960	33,021	42,769
1967—June	18,669	23,637	10,666	13,360	29,335	36,985
1968—June	18,662	23,743	10,060	12,626	28,722	36,368
1967—						
November	27,792	24,002	13,578	12,526	41,370	36,269
December	31,044	23,924	14,376	11,948	45,420	35,602
1968—						
January	31,997	24,323	14,625	12,242	46,622	36,726
February	25,746	23,274	12,650	12,249	38,396	35,424
March	23,715	23,488	11,272	12,219	34,987	35,495
April	20,975	23,131	10,493	12,266	31,468	35,346
May	20,289	23,604	10,273	12,411	30,562	36,174
June	18,662	23,743	10,060	12,626	28,722	36,368
July	18,760	23,833	11,468	13,196	30,228	37,114
August	19,802	23,678	13,963	13,814	33,765	37,922
September	22,460	24,692	15,180	14,040	37,640	39,359
October	25,033	24,409	16,264	14,421	41,297	38,966
November	27,689	23,870	16,166	14,927	43,855	38,417
December	30,193	23,212	16,893	14,065	47,086	36,866
1969—						
January	30,430	23,089	15,891	13,333	46,321	36,476
February	25,797	23,371	14,948	14,493	40,745	37,688
March	23,595	23,397	15,040	16,305	38,635	39,231
April	21,484	23,745	14,118	16,470	35,602	40,026

(a) Vacancies which employers claimed were available immediately or would be available by the end of the following calendar month.
 (b) Generally at Friday nearest end of month. (c) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (d) Includes the Northern Territory.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see below.

UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS

PERSONS ON BENEFIT

(Source: Department of Social Services)

UNEMPLOYMENT

Period(a)	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland (b)	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia(b)(c)					
							Males		Females		Persons	
							Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
June												
1959	12,062	6,013	4,477	1,332	2,939	670	19,691	18,385	7,837	6,750	27,528	25,223
1960	5,605	3,676	3,064	1,380	2,293	500	11,399	10,440	5,142	4,426	16,541	14,904
1961	19,574	16,089	9,632	4,042	3,417	1,336	42,479	38,713	11,775	10,154	54,254	48,644
1962	16,967	14,338	7,432	3,057	2,667	1,778	32,401	29,670	13,923	12,072	46,324	41,674
1963	16,834	8,548	5,353	2,441	3,179	1,777	24,200	22,440	13,988	12,259	38,188	34,739
1964	6,851	3,380	2,803	1,267	2,367	1,399	9,478	8,894	8,651	7,688	18,129	16,694
1965	4,667	1,960	3,239	703	1,137	926	6,753	6,392	5,903	5,315	12,656	11,771
1966	7,839	3,450	4,209	2,352	743	433	12,154	11,518	6,904	6,269	19,058	17,793
1967	8,170	4,159	5,916	3,808	785	526	15,833	15,011	7,561	6,891	23,394	21,880
1968	6,437	6,141	3,815	3,461	746	635	13,350	12,641	7,925	7,232	21,275	19,893
1966-67—												
March	7,121	2,902	7,766	2,962	736	334	14,386	15,487	7,501	6,858	21,887	22,280
April	7,040	3,269	6,510	3,148	625	315	13,436	13,792	7,508	6,825	20,944	20,551
May	7,390	3,705	6,348	3,524	619	380	14,488	14,207	7,523	6,848	22,011	21,031
June	8,170	4,159	5,916	3,808	785	526	15,833	15,011	7,561	6,891	23,394	21,880
1967-68—												
July	8,517	4,530	4,272	4,147	855	597	15,542	15,090	7,409	7,064	22,951	22,162
August	7,882	4,373	3,342	3,789	736	620	13,976	15,094	6,791	7,154	20,767	22,243
September	6,603	3,926	2,620	2,997	494	533	11,408	14,173	5,779	6,901	17,187	20,802
October	6,013	3,505	2,345	2,593	396	419	9,806	13,507	5,481	7,027	15,287	20,522
November	6,096	3,472	2,856	2,500	360	432	9,869	13,349	5,866	7,179	15,735	20,518
December	8,770	5,229	7,411	3,665	673	536	18,738	13,780	7,583	7,473	26,321	21,307
January	8,267	4,954	8,570	3,691	629	536	18,712	13,916	7,973	7,491	26,685	21,415
February	7,271	4,238	8,072	3,209	606	474	15,463	14,076	8,465	7,678	23,928	21,705
March	6,079	4,197	6,595	2,907	574	361	12,460	13,502	8,288	7,556	20,748	21,237
April	6,457	5,007	5,470	3,197	541	396	12,911	13,275	8,179	7,434	21,090	20,727
May	6,231	5,671	5,699	3,185	491	456	13,671	13,373	8,098	7,364	21,769	20,770
June	6,437	6,141	3,815	3,461	746	635	13,350	12,641	7,925	7,232	21,275	19,893
1968-69—												
July	6,250	5,704	3,157	3,314	728	642	12,770	12,417	7,054	6,753	19,824	19,187
August	5,402	4,723	2,612	2,838	536	667	10,702	11,566	6,095	6,440	16,797	18,017
September	4,507	3,960	2,306	2,420	388	615	8,917	11,105	5,292	6,343	14,209	17,220
October	4,156	3,939	2,050	2,233	384	565	8,475	11,738	4,860	6,246	13,335	17,986
November	4,599	3,723	3,322	2,170	370	575	9,459	12,808	5,307	6,497	14,766	19,291
December	6,850	5,125	6,993	3,131	729	658	16,903	12,361	6,611	6,493	23,514	18,915
January	6,414	4,977	7,432	3,244	695	648	16,628	12,358	6,813	6,387	23,441	18,792
February	5,574	3,869	6,620	2,787	532	543	12,910	11,760	7,039	6,381	19,949	18,093
March	4,472	3,329	5,146	2,126	473	332	9,853	10,703	6,045	5,499	15,898	16,313
April	4,775	3,474	4,561	2,172	437	410	9,881	10,168	5,972	5,428	15,853	15,593

SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS: AUSTRALIA

Period(a)	Sickness	Special		Period(a)	Sickness	Special	
		Ordinary	Migrant(d)			Ordinary	Migrant(d)
June							
1964	10,776	2,577	105	1968-69—			
1965	10,187	2,423	90	July	9,241	3,369	253
1966	10,220	2,329	222	August	9,009	3,896	279
1967	10,459	2,148	322	September	8,798	4,006	261
1968	9,370	2,665	299	October	8,493	4,010	471
				November	8,784	4,033	593
1967-68—				December	7,645	3,744	813
February	9,598	2,256	302	January	7,900	3,826	628
March	10,164	2,313	219	February	8,303	3,687	379
April	9,552	2,208	265	March	7,931	3,947	591
May	9,608	2,231	193	April	8,054	3,963	334
June	9,370	2,665	299				

(a) At last Saturday of month. (b) Excludes Torres Strait Islanders. (c) Includes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory. (d) In Commonwealth centres or hostels awaiting their first placement in employment in Australia.

VALUE OF RETAIL SALES(a): COMMODITY GROUPS*

Figures are on a basis comparable with the 1961-62 Retail Census. The figures in the table below relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, repairs, accommodation, entertainment, meals, etc.) by establishments which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops, rooms, kiosks and yards. Hotels, garages and service stations are also included in respect of goods sold, but establishments such as clubs and guest houses are entirely excluded. Figures for the year 1961-62 are derived from a census taken in respect of that year, whereas other figures are estimates made by means of sample surveys.

(\$ million)

Period	Gro- ceries (b)	But- chers' meat	Other food (c)	Beer, wine and spirits	Cloth- ing and dra- pery	Foot- wear	Hard- ware (d)	Elec- trical goods (e)	Furni- ture	Chem- ists' goods	News- papers, books and sta- tionery	Other goods (f)	Total (exc. motor vehi- cles, etc.)	Motor vehi- cles, parts, petrol, etc.(g)
Quarterly average														
1958-59	184.3	89.2	154.2	123.6	198.7	32.3	32.8	77.5	48.9	48.5	36.3	102.5	1,128.7	345.5
1959-60	195.5	96.7	167.6	131.4	217.0	36.1	35.3	93.5	57.3	54.0	38.9	113.2	1,236.3	413.7
1960-61	208.3	105.4	176.3	134.6	225.3	38.4	36.3	88.6	58.6	60.7	40.0	121.0	1,293.3	412.4
1961-62	214.6	105.6	182.5	136.5	225.0	38.7	36.5	87.0	57.5	66.5	41.6	122.4	1,314.3	400.8
1962-63	223.2	111.2	191.4	143.6	232.5	40.6	38.8	91.8	61.3	71.1	43.2	130.2	1,378.7	496.7
1963-64	235.0	117.4	198.6	148.3	253.8	42.8	38.4	97.5	68.1	76.9	47.7	140.6	1,465.0	551.6
1964-65	254.0	127.6	211.3	157.8	269.6	44.4	40.7	103.8	75.7	83.5	50.6	151.9	1,570.6	593.2
1965-66	272.9	136.9	222.2	171.2	279.7	45.1	41.0	100.3	77.7	90.5	53.7	162.6	1,653.8	591.1
1966-67	291.1	147.3	235.3	185.9	292.8	49.3	43.9	101.5	80.4	96.8	58.5	174.1	1,766.8	624.7
1967-68	313.1	153.4	247.2	201.8	310.2	52.2	45.9	111.0	88.1	104.3	62.3	181.5	1,870.7	694.0
Quarterly totals														
1965-66—														
March	259.6	131.5	220.2	176.4	232.4	38.9	37.0	92.2	69.3	84.6	54.6	147.3	1,544.0	564.4
June	272.7	140.4	220.9	164.7	297.1	48.2	38.4	93.8	73.1	90.0	50.7	154.1	1,644.1	591.4
1966-67—														
September	282.4	145.4	225.2	167.3	270.6	45.7	38.7	97.4	79.6	93.8	53.1	162.4	1,661.6	604.2
December	311.6	146.7	247.1	206.9	338.8	56.0	55.4	117.9	92.8	108.6	65.6	210.7	1,958.1	649.6
March	280.5	144.4	237.2	191.3	246.4	41.9	40.3	94.4	70.5	90.1	60.2	159.8	1,657.0	600.7
June	289.7	152.5	231.8	178.2	315.4	53.7	41.2	98.4	78.5	94.7	54.9	163.3	1,752.3	644.2
1967-68—														
September	303.5	155.5	236.5	181.1	296.1	50.0	40.9	102.4	87.0	99.9	56.4	171.0	1,780.3	678.0
December	331.2	153.6	258.3	223.0	360.9	60.5	58.6	128.8	102.6	116.7	69.6	218.1	2,081.9	709.7
March	306.3	148.2	248.1	214.3	256.5	44.1	41.5	106.7	77.4	97.7	65.4	165.1	1,771.3	660.2
June	311.2	156.2	245.9	188.9	327.1	54.3	42.4	105.9	85.2	102.8	57.6	171.7	1,849.2	728.2
1968-69—														
September	316.8	155.3	243.8	191.2	304.1	49.1	42.8	107.3	93.5	107.7	60.0	182.2	1,853.8	717.3
December	350.2	155.3	267.6	239.2	379.3	60.5	61.8	133.7	112.1	122.2	74.8	242.9	2,199.6	769.4
March p													1,872.8	724.6
Monthly total														
1968—														
November													687.2	..
December													857.1	..
1969—														
January p													644.1	..
February p													589.6	..
March p													639.1	..
April p													639.2	..

(a) Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes bacon, butter, etc. (c) Includes fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread. (d) Excludes basic building materials, builders' hardware and supplies such as tools of trade, paint, etc. (e) Includes radios, television, and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc. (f) Includes tobacco, cigarettes, etc., jewellery, sporting goods, etc., but excludes grain and produce and business machines. (g) Includes new and used motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc., but excludes tractors, farm machinery and implements, earth-moving equipment, etc.

Note. Figures from June quarter, 1968 are subject to revision when more precise information is available relating to trading by new businesses.

*Also seasonally adjusted—see page 14.

VALUE OF RETAIL SALES(a): COMMODITY GROUPS

Figures are on a basis comparable with the 1961-62 Retail Census. The figures in the table below relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, repairs, accommodation, entertainment, meals, etc.) by establishments which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops, rooms, kiosks and yards. Hotels, garages and service stations are also included in respect of goods sold, but establishments such as clubs and guest houses are entirely excluded. Figures for the year 1961-62 are derived from a census taken in respect of that year, whereas other figures are estimates made by means of sample surveys.

(\$ million)

Period	Food and drink		Clothing, hardware, electrical, furniture		Other		Total (excluding motor vehicles, etc.)		Motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
Quarterly average										
1958-59	551.3	..	390.2	..	187.3	..	1,128.7	..	345.5	..
1959-60	591.2	..	439.2	..	206.1	..	1,236.3	..	413.7	..
1960-61	624.5	..	447.2	..	221.7	..	1,293.3	..	412.4	..
1961-62	639.1	..	444.7	..	230.5	..	1,314.3	..	400.8	..
1962-63	669.4	..	464.9	..	244.4	..	1,378.7	..	496.7	..
1963-64	699.3	..	500.5	..	265.3	..	1,465.0	..	551.6	..
1964-65	750.6	..	534.1	..	286.0	..	1,570.6	..	593.2	..
1965-66	803.2	..	543.8	..	306.8	..	1,653.8	..	591.1	..
1966-67	859.6	..	567.9	..	329.3	..	1,756.8	..	624.7	..
1967-68	915.5	..	607.2	..	348.0	..	1,870.7	..	694.0	..
Quarterly total										
1965-66										
March	787.7	805.6	469.8	546.2	286.5	310.1	1,544.0	1,663.3	564.4	594.9
June	798.7	823.5	550.6	547.2	294.8	316.0	1,644.1	1,684.8	591.4	595.5
1966-67—										
September	820.3	835.7	532.0	551.7	309.3	321.6	1,661.6	1,708.5	604.2	596.5
December	912.3	852.9	660.9	563.8	384.9	325.8	1,958.1	1,742.8	649.6	621.3
March	853.4	868.8	493.5	573.7	310.1	333.6	1,657.0	1,776.4	600.7	636.9
June	852.2	878.9	587.2	584.3	312.9	335.8	1,752.3	1,796.9	644.2	646.7
1967-68—										
September	876.6	896.7	576.4	598.8	327.3	341.7	1,780.3	1,838.7	678.0	668.1
December	966.1	909.1	711.4	610.9	404.4	344.6	2,081.9	1,864.2	709.7	679.9
March	916.9	923.2	526.2	604.4	328.2	349.0	1,771.3	1,878.1	660.2	689.4
June	902.2	930.5	614.9	612.3	332.1	356.6	1,849.2	1,897.0	728.2	730.9
1968-69—										
September	907.1	929.0	596.8	620.3	349.9	365.6	1,853.8	1,916.8	717.3	714.0
December	1,012.3	945.9	747.4	637.3	439.9	372.3	2,199.6	1,955.1	769.4	735.9
March p	948.2	965.6	563.1	653.2	361.5	388.7	1,872.8	2,007.3	724.6	764.3
Monthly total										
1968—										
November	..	..	..	..	..	..	687.2	651.9	..	..
December	..	..	..	..	..	..	857.1	661.0	..	..
1969—										
January p	..	..	..	..	..	..	644.1	665.4	..	..
February p	..	..	..	..	..	..	589.6	659.5	..	..
March p	..	..	..	..	..	..	639.1	679.9	..	..
April p	..	..	..	..	..	..	639.2	665.8	..	..

(a) Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.

Note. Figures from June quarter, 1968 are subject to revision when more precise information is available relating to trading by new businesses.

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

The following statistics cover all types of schemes which relate primarily to the financing of retail sales of goods and in which repayment is made by regular predetermined instalments. Types of schemes covered include hire purchase, time payment, budget account, and personal loans relating primarily to financing of retail sales of goods.

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING, BY TYPE OF BUSINESS: AUSTRALIA
(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period (excluding hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc.)				Balances outstanding at end of period (including hiring charges, etc.)	
	Motor vehicles, etc.	Plant and machinery	Household and personal goods	Total	Original	Seasonally adjusted
Retail businesses						
Quarterly average						
1963-64	5.7	0.8	74.5	80.9	416.7	..
1964-65	5.5	0.6	71.8	77.9	395.6	..
1965-66	4.8	0.8	64.8	70.5	360.3	..
1966-67	5.0	0.9	63.6	69.5	339.3	..
1967-68	5.2	0.8	66.3	72.4	337.3	..
Quarterly total						
1966-67—						
September	5.1	1.1	60.2	66.4	347.9	354.7
December	5.8	1.2	78.4	85.4	362.1	353.0
March	4.6	0.7	51.5	56.8	345.2	345.8
June	4.5	0.7	64.1	69.3	339.3	340.9
1967-68—						
September	4.7	0.8	61.4	66.8	329.7	336.3
December	5.6	0.7	81.7	88.0	343.9	335.1
March	4.9	0.8	55.0	60.8	335.9	336.6
June	5.7	1.1	67.1	73.9	337.3	338.9
1968-69—						
September	5.9	1.3	64.6	71.8	334.6	341.4
December	6.9	0.9	85.3	93.1	353.6	344.4
Non-retail finance businesses						
Quarterly average						
1963-64	126.8	13.2	21.0	161.0	939.2	..
1964-65	140.2	16.3	21.7	178.3	1,055.2	..
1965-66	130.9	17.4	20.9	169.2	1,074.0	..
1966-67	135.5	20.9	21.1	177.5	1,103.3	..
1967-68	161.9	23.4	22.0	207.3	1,237.4	..
Quarterly total						
1966-67—						
September	130.5	16.3	22.0	168.9	1,078.2	1,080.8
December	142.5	26.3	22.6	191.5	1,106.9	1,089.8
March	126.5	19.3	19.4	165.2	1,087.6	1,093.5
June	142.4	21.6	20.4	184.4	1,103.3	1,113.3
1967-68—						
September	154.8	18.7	20.4	193.9	1,132.9	1,136.0
December	168.0	27.0	24.1	219.1	1,185.6	1,167.6
March	158.8	21.6	21.6	202.0	1,198.9	1,205.5
June	165.9	26.3	22.0	214.2	1,237.4	1,248.4
1968-69—						
September	167.8	23.6	22.5	214.0	1,269.1	1,272.8
December	190.4	36.4	23.9	250.7	1,333.8	1,313.8

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING, BY TYPE OF BUSINESS: AUSTRALIA—*continued*
(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period (excluding hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc.)				Balances outstanding at end of period (including hiring charges, etc.)	
	Motor vehicles, etc.	Plant and machinery	Household and personal goods	Total	Original	Seasonally adjusted
All businesses						
Quarterly average						
1963-64	132.4	14.0	95.5	241.9	1,355.9	..
1964-65	145.7	17.0	93.5	256.2	1,450.8	..
1965-66	135.7	18.2	85.7	239.6	1,434.3	..
1966-67	140.5	21.8	84.7	247.0	1,442.6	..
1967-68	167.1	24.2	88.3	279.6	1,574.7	..
Quarterly total						
1966-67—September	135.6	17.4	82.2	235.3	1,426.1	1,435.5
December	148.3	27.5	101.0	276.8	1,469.0	1,442.8
March	131.1	20.0	70.9	222.0	1,432.8	1,439.3
June	146.9	22.3	84.5	253.7	1,442.6	1,454.2
1967-68—September	159.4	19.5	81.8	260.7	1,462.6	1,472.3
December	173.6	27.6	105.8	307.0	1,529.5	1,502.7
March	163.7	22.5	76.6	262.7	1,534.8	1,541.5
June	171.7	27.4	89.1	288.2	1,574.7	1,587.3
1968-69—September	173.6	24.9	87.1	285.7	1,603.7	1,614.2
December	197.3	37.3	109.1	343.8	1,687.4	1,658.2

BALANCES OUTSTANDING(a), BY TYPE OF BUSINESS: STATES (\$ million)

At—	New South Wales(b)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia(c)	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia
Retail businesses							
30 September 1967	142.6	83.5	44.4	26.8	25.3	7.1	329.7
31 December 1967	152.1	84.8	46.6	26.9	26.8	6.8	343.9
31 March 1968	147.9	82.9	45.9	26.3	26.4	6.4	335.9
30 June 1968	150.1	82.8	45.6	25.9	26.8	6.1	337.3
30 September 1968	149.0	83.0	44.4	25.3	26.3	6.6	334.6
31 December 1968	160.9	85.2	46.0	27.0	27.4	7.1	353.6
Non-retail finance businesses							
30 September 1967	422.6	263.7	193.2	105.9	108.0	39.5	1,132.9
31 December 1967	441.1	276.8	200.6	108.5	117.6	40.9	1,185.6
31 March 1968	446.6	281.9	201.9	109.4	117.3	41.8	1,198.9
30 June 1968	458.2	291.3	207.1	112.4	125.3	43.1	1,237.4
30 September 1968	468.5	298.7	211.1	116.9	130.1	43.9	1,269.1
31 December 1968	493.2	315.6	216.6	123.4	140.1	44.9	1,333.8
All businesses							
30 September 1967	565.2	347.2	237.6	132.7	133.3	46.6	1,462.6
31 December 1967	593.2	361.6	247.2	135.4	144.4	47.7	1,529.6
31 March 1968	594.5	364.8	247.8	135.7	143.7	48.2	1,534.7
30 June 1968	608.3	374.1	252.7	138.3	152.1	49.2	1,574.7
30 September 1968	617.5	381.7	255.5	142.2	156.5	50.4	1,603.8
31 December 1968	654.1	400.8	262.6	150.4	167.4	52.0	1,687.4

(a) Includes hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory.

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, COLLECTIONS AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING: AUSTRALIA

Non-retail finance business

(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period(a)					Collections during period(b)	Balances outstanding at end of period(b)	
	Motor vehicles, etc.		Plant and machinery	Household and personal goods	Total		Original	Seasonally adjusted
	New	Used						
Monthly average								
1959-60	36.4		3.1	11.0	50.5	52.8	813.6	..
1960-61	31.0		3.5	8.9	43.4	56.7	803.5	..
1961-62	14.7	14.1	3.5	7.2	39.4	45.0	756.3	..
1962-63	17.9	19.1	3.9	7.2	48.0	54.6	832.5	..
1963-64	21.1	21.2	4.4	7.0	53.7	58.6	939.2	..
1964-65	24.1	22.7	5.4	7.2	59.4	63.9	1,055.2	..
1965-66	22.6	21.0	5.8	7.0	56.4	68.5	1,074.0	..
1966-67	22.9	22.3	7.0	7.0	59.2	71.2	1,103.3	..
1967-68	28.3	25.7	8.0	7.3	69.1	75.6	1,237.4	..
Monthly total								
1966-67—								
February	19.4	19.7	6.9	6.2	52.2	77.3	1,093.1	1,092.3
March	24.0	22.0	6.3	6.4	58.7	79.1	1,087.6	1,093.5
April	22.6	21.2	7.4	6.3	57.4	67.7	1,092.0	1,099.0
May	25.9	24.5	7.3	7.3	64.9	75.5	1,097.0	1,103.1
June	24.5	23.8	7.0	6.9	62.1	70.0	1,103.3	1,113.3
1967-68—								
July	24.3	22.9	6.5	6.5	60.1	72.1	1,109.5	1,117.9
August	28.3	27.2	6.6	7.0	69.2	73.8	1,122.0	1,128.3
September	27.7	24.4	5.6	6.5	64.6	69.4	1,132.9	1,136.0
October	29.7	27.7	8.9	7.5	73.7	75.3	1,150.9	1,148.2
November	30.6	27.3	10.8	8.0	76.8	75.1	1,171.2	1,159.1
December	29.1	23.6	7.3	8.5	68.6	71.0	1,185.6	1,167.6
January	26.8	25.2	6.8	7.1	65.8	73.2	1,195.5	1,179.9
February	27.2	25.1	7.5	7.2	67.1	86.7	1,193.0	1,192.5
March	29.0	25.5	7.4	7.2	69.1	81.1	1,198.9	1,205.6
April	28.7	25.3	8.1	6.8	68.9	75.5	1,210.1	1,217.7
May	32.1	29.0	9.2	7.9	78.2	82.0	1,226.6	1,233.1
June	26.0	24.9	8.9	7.3	67.1	72.0	1,237.4	1,248.4
1968-69—								
July	28.5	28.3	9.4	7.4	73.5	83.5	1,247.4	1,256.6
August	27.5	28.6	6.9	7.4	70.5	77.7	1,257.7	1,264.8
September	27.6	27.4	7.3	7.7	70.0	76.0	1,269.1	1,272.8
October	33.6	31.9	13.1	7.5	86.1	84.5	1,293.0	1,290.0
November	32.1	30.2	13.4	7.7	83.4	78.1	1,318.2	1,304.3
December	33.1	29.5	10.0	8.7	81.2	85.2	1,333.8	1,313.8
January	27.9	30.3	8.4	7.3	73.8	83.6	1,344.5	1,326.9
February(c)	27.9	27.5	9.3	6.9	71.6	93.9	1,339.4	1,339.0
March(c)	33.2	30.3	8.5	7.0	79.0	94.4	(d)1,345.6	(d)1,353.2

(a) Excludes hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc. (b) Includes hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc. (c) Preliminary estimates.
 (d) Provisional estimate April 1969, \$m 1,356 (original), \$m 1,364 (seasonally adjusted).

WHOLESALE TRADE

An indication of fluctuations in the value of wholesale trade is given by the returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. With certain specified exemptions, goods sold by wholesale in Australia including imports are taxable. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trades as vendors trading only in exempt goods are not required to furnish returns. They do not necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade. The effects of legislation and administrative changes on the recorded values of taxable and exempt goods respectively are somewhat uncertain but total recorded sales are affected in smaller degrees. Insufficient information is available to enable adjustment to be made to the crude figures on this account.

(\$ million)

Period						Net sales recorded		
						Taxable goods	Exempt goods	Total
Monthly average								
1958-59						148.4	358.7	507.1
1959-60						170.0	392.4	562.4
1960-61						173.4	407.9	581.3
1961-62						175.0	402.6	577.6
1962-63						191.9	437.8	629.7
1963-64						199.4	509.7	709.1
1964-65						215.7	568.2	784.0
1965-66						220.4	592.6	813.0
1966-67						236.5	650.2	886.7
1967-68						258.0	699.5	957.5

(a) Preliminary and partly estimated.

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: ECONOMIC CLASS

(\$'000 f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Producers' materials for use in—										Fuels and lubricants (d)			Auxiliary aids to production (e)		Munitions and war stores	
	Building and construction		Rural industries		Manufacturing				Total (c)								
					Motor vehicle assembly (a) (b)		Other (c)										
	Class I. A		Class I. B		Class I. C (5)		Class I. C (1-4)		Class I.		Class II.		Class III.		Class VII.		
Monthly average		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%	
1958-59	3,798	2.9	1,340	1.0	10,354	7.8	53,384	40.4	68,876	52.1	4,536	3.4	4,408	3.3	1,442	1.1	
1959-60	5,378	3.5	1,338	0.9	13,184	8.6	61,160	39.7	81,060	52.7	4,356	2.8	4,850	3.1	2,070	1.3	
1960-61	6,866	3.8	1,956	1.1	14,284	7.9	73,798	40.7	96,904	53.5	4,444	2.5	6,424	3.6	1,302	0.7	
1961-62	4,558	3.1	2,044	1.4	8,124	5.5	57,706	39.3	72,432	49.3	4,280	2.9	5,164	3.5	1,592	1.1	
1962-63	5,614	3.1	2,080	1.2	15,990	8.9	68,536	38.1	92,220	51.3	5,064	2.8	5,754	3.2	1,192	0.7	
1963-64	6,416	3.3	2,706	1.4	17,376	8.8	75,092	38.0	101,590	51.5	4,800	2.4	6,018	3.0	2,312	1.2	
1964-65	8,342	3.5	3,428	1.4	19,115	8.1	90,421	38.2	121,306	51.2	4,502	1.9	7,020	3.0	4,479	1.9	
1965-66	7,808	3.2	3,363	1.4	17,321	7.2	84,651	35.0	113,141	46.8	4,032	1.7	7,706	3.2	7,159	3.0	
1966-67	7,228	2.9	4,559	1.8	15,175	6.1	88,910	35.5	115,872	46.3	2,566	1.0	8,051	3.2	9,886	4.0	
1967-68	8,324	3.1	4,928	1.8	18,403	6.9	94,348	35.2	126,003	47.0	2,253	0.8	6,925	2.6	10,436	3.9	
Monthly total																	
1966-67—																	
March	6,593	2.7	5,138	2.1	16,457	6.6	89,307	36.2	117,495	47.6	1,370	0.6	6,946	2.8	6,150	2.5	
April	7,481	2.9	3,962	1.5	17,426	6.6	90,207	34.4	119,076	45.4	2,042	0.8	7,606	2.9	8,510	3.3	
May	8,608	3.3	3,007	1.2	19,047	7.3	94,490	36.2	125,152	48.0	2,203	0.9	7,685	2.9	3,640	1.4	
June	7,485	2.8	3,968	1.5	15,615	5.9	96,612	36.3	123,680	46.5	2,869	1.1	6,768	2.5	15,411	5.8	
1967-68—																	
July	7,774	3.4	4,874	2.1	17,953	7.7	79,559	34.2	110,160	47.4	2,595	1.1	7,778	3.3	3,393	1.5	
August	8,129	2.6	4,775	1.5	22,986	7.4	102,160	33.0	138,050	44.5	1,869	0.6	8,522	2.7	21,917	7.1	
September	7,900	2.9	5,095	1.8	20,632	7.6	93,726	34.4	127,353	46.7	2,517	0.9	7,094	2.6	4,847	1.8	
October	7,976	3.1	4,981	1.9	12,623	4.8	97,616	37.3	123,196	47.1	1,939	0.7	6,950	2.7	8,750	3.3	
November	8,146	3.1	6,435	2.4	12,176	4.6	90,569	34.3	117,326	44.4	1,058	0.4	5,690	2.2	18,584	7.0	
December	7,663	3.8	3,827	1.9	11,632	5.8	76,339	37.7	99,461	49.2	2,715	1.3	4,814	2.4	3,929	2.0	
January	8,046	2.9	4,298	1.6	21,587	7.9	97,165	35.6	131,096	48.0	2,090	0.8	6,652	2.4	10,962	4.0	
February	9,713	3.5	5,648	2.0	21,533	7.6	99,119	35.1	136,013	48.2	2,085	0.7	7,024	2.5	8,654	3.1	
March	9,019	3.2	5,168	1.8	20,242	7.2	95,580	33.9	130,009	46.1	2,110	0.7	7,510	2.7	6,095	2.2	
April	9,120	3.7	4,142	1.7	17,737	7.1	93,210	37.5	124,209	50.0	2,407	1.0	6,896	2.8	3,467	1.4	
May	9,459	3.0	4,925	1.5	19,760	6.2	110,357	34.8	144,501	45.5	3,574	1.1	7,050	2.2	20,212	6.4	
June	6,942	2.6	4,964	1.8	21,981	8.2	96,779	36.0	130,666	48.6	2,071	0.8	7,118	2.6	14,422	5.4	
1968-69p—																	
July	11,261	3.8	5,417	1.9	24,879	8.4	96,395	32.7	137,952	46.8	2,235	0.8	7,448	2.5	20,100	6.8	
August	11,060	3.8	5,031	1.7	20,185	6.8	104,541	35.4	140,817	47.7	1,275	0.4	7,043	2.4	5,935	2.0	
September	10,698	3.5	5,802	1.9	21,360	6.9	100,069	32.6	137,929	44.9	2,910	0.9	7,384	2.4	20,816	6.8	
October	11,696	3.6	5,003	1.6	17,478	5.4	103,142	31.8	137,319	42.4	3,637	1.1	8,144	2.5	51,329	15.9	
November	12,359	4.2	5,813	2.0	16,106	5.5	103,518	35.5	137,796	47.2	1,686	0.6	7,772	2.6	12,165	4.2	
December	9,692	3.8	3,563	1.4	16,615	6.4	92,087	35.6	121,957	47.2	3,047	1.2	6,395	2.5	6,692	2.7	
January	11,013	3.7	5,543	1.9	23,118	7.8	106,983	35.9	146,657	49.3	2,412	0.8	7,941	2.7	6,164	2.1	
February	10,155	3.9	4,564	1.7	17,277	6.7	90,803	35.0	122,799	47.3	2,950	1.2	7,574	2.9	5,501	2.1	
March	11,711	5.0	3,313	1.4	15,071	6.4	83,821	35.4	113,916	48.2	1,435	0.6	5,827	2.5	10,306	4.3	
April	9,932	3.6	4,571	1.6	21,765	7.8	95,698	34.4	131,966	47.4	2,441	0.9	6,719	2.4	10,322	3.7	

(a) Owing to insufficient information it is not possible to treat unassembled tractors and other machinery in a similar manner to motor vehicles and all such machinery is treated as capital equipment whether imported in an assembled or unassembled condition. (b) Includes replacement parts, completely knocked-down vehicles and components for the assembly of motor vehicles. (c) Excludes a percentage for piece-goods to be sold by retail and paper to be used solely for wrapping which are recorded in classes VI. E-J and III, respectively. (d) Excludes crude petroleum which is included in class I. C. (1-4). (e) Includes a percentage for paper used solely for wrapping. see note (c). (f) Includes H.M.A.S. 'Brisbane'.

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: ECONOMIC CLASS

(\\$'000 f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Capital equipment						Finished consumer goods							
	Producers' equipment		Transport equipment				Food, beverages and tobacco		Clothing and accessories		All other (a)		Total (a)	
			Complete road vehicles and assembled chassis(b)		Railway equipment, vessels and civil aircraft									
Class IV.		Class V. B		Class V. A, C, D		Class VI. A, B, C		Class VI. D		Class VI. E-J		Class VI.		
Monthly average		%		%		%		%		%		%		%
1958-59	23,226	17.5	1,902	1.4	4,440	3.4	5,398	4.1	794	0.6	17,390	13.1	23,582	17.8
1959-60	27,660	17.9	2,126	1.4	4,906	3.2	6,116	4.0	930	0.6	20,032	13.0	27,078	17.6
1960-61	33,068	18.3	2,876	1.6	3,430	1.9	6,940	3.8	1,300	0.7	24,200	13.4	32,440	17.9
1961-62	28,330	19.3	2,070	1.4	3,150	2.1	6,604	4.5	1,054	0.7	22,416	15.2	30,074	20.4
1962-63	34,488	19.2	3,862	2.1	3,118	1.7	6,834	3.8	1,212	0.7	26,054	14.5	34,100	19.0
1963-64	39,274	19.9	4,740	2.4	3,270	1.7	7,648	3.9	1,394	0.7	26,276	13.3	35,318	17.9
1964-65	49,741	21.0	6,664	2.8	5,917	2.5	8,572	3.6	1,660	0.7	26,915	11.4	37,147	15.7
1965-66	55,966	23.1	6,223	2.6	7,689	3.2	9,131	3.8	1,763	0.7	28,712	11.9	39,606	16.4
1966-67	55,327	22.1	6,243	2.5	9,226	3.7	9,125	3.6	2,039	0.8	31,995	12.8	43,159	17.2
1967-68	58,289	21.8	7,418	2.8	8,456	3.1	9,467	3.5	2,580	1.0	36,089	13.5	48,136	18.0
Monthly total														
1966-67—														
March	56,130	22.8	7,250	2.9	7,275	2.9	9,848	4.0	2,907	1.2	31,345	12.7	44,100	17.9
April	62,548	23.9	6,399	2.4	14,803	5.6	9,108	3.5	2,020	0.8	30,035	11.4	41,163	15.7
May	59,181	22.7	7,487	2.9	12,363	4.7	8,079	3.1	1,860	0.7	33,114	12.7	43,053	16.5
June	56,205	21.1	7,294	2.8	9,808	3.7	9,026	3.4	1,746	0.6	33,223	12.5	43,995	16.5
1967-68—														
July	54,114	23.3	5,756	2.5	7,055	3.0	7,885	3.4	2,358	1.0	31,421	13.5	41,664	17.9
August	69,004	22.3	7,820	2.5	8,278	2.7	9,792	3.2	3,370	1.1	41,283	13.3	54,445	17.6
September	58,498	21.5	7,088	2.6	16,036	5.9	8,726	3.2	2,938	1.1	37,407	13.7	49,071	18.0
October	59,066	22.6	6,273	2.4	5,044	1.9	11,078	4.2	2,316	0.9	37,047	14.2	50,441	19.3
November	50,833	19.2	6,037	2.3	12,811	4.7	10,673	4.0	2,100	0.8	39,051	14.8	51,824	19.6
December	42,950	21.2	5,428	2.7	6,672	3.3	7,712	3.8	2,204	1.1	26,348	13.0	36,264	17.9
January	61,374	22.5	8,189	3.0	5,609	2.1	10,060	3.7	2,893	1.0	34,247	12.5	47,200	17.2
February	63,467	22.5	8,129	2.9	6,492	2.3	9,742	3.4	3,304	1.2	37,246	13.2	50,292	17.8
March	67,365	23.9	8,287	2.9	13,153	4.7	9,834	3.5	3,238	1.1	34,478	12.2	47,550	16.8
April	53,866	21.7	8,546	3.4	4,059	2.0	9,114	3.7	2,302	0.9	32,735	13.1	44,151	17.7
May	61,399	19.4	8,985	2.8	10,119	3.2	11,434	3.6	2,128	0.7	47,984	15.1	61,546	19.4
June	57,539	21.4	8,483	3.2	5,141	1.9	7,550	2.8	1,816	0.7	33,824	12.6	43,190	16.1
1968-69p—														
July	61,872	21.0	8,651	2.9	6,043	2.0	11,810	4.0	2,468	0.8	36,402	12.4	50,680	17.2
August	64,038	21.7	10,373	3.5	11,697	4.0	9,755	3.3	3,382	1.1	40,887	13.9	54,024	18.3
September	65,170	21.2	11,225	3.7	5,059	1.6	12,332	4.0	3,629	1.2	41,043	13.3	57,004	18.5
October	56,473	17.4	9,335	2.9	4,898	1.5	10,861	3.4	2,595	0.8	39,331	12.1	52,787	16.3
November	60,110	20.6	8,557	2.9	11,511	3.9	10,314	3.5	2,448	0.8	39,845	13.7	52,607	18.0
December	56,685	21.9	9,354	3.6	4,225	1.6	11,442	4.4	2,305	0.9	36,206	14.0	49,953	19.3
January	67,350	22.6	8,584	2.9	6,672	2.2	10,552	3.6	3,656	1.2	37,380	12.6	51,588	17.4
February	55,104	21.2	7,466	2.9	3,934	1.5	10,839	4.2	3,695	1.4	39,781	15.3	54,315	20.9
March	46,827	19.8	7,857	3.3	2,991	1.3	9,882	4.2	3,376	1.4	34,138	14.4	47,396	20.0
April	61,695	22.1	8,842	3.2	3,822	1.4	11,011	4.0	2,945	1.0	38,679	13.9	52,635	18.9

(a) Includes a percentage of piece-goods to be sold by retail, see note (c), page 19. (b) Completely knocked-down vehicles, components for the assembly of motor vehicles and replacement parts are recorded in class I, C (5).

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: DEGREE OF MANUFACTURE

(f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Producers' materials (class I.) (a)			Finished consumer goods (class VI.) (b)			Total imports of merchandise (all classes)				Total imports	
	Crude	Simply transformed	Elaborately transformed	Crude	Simply transformed	Elaborately transformed	Crude	Simply transformed	Elaborately transformed	Total	Original	Seasonally adjusted
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m	\$m
Monthly average												
1958-59	23,256	9,908	35,712	1,130	3,100	19,352	24,386	19,922	88,104	132,412	133	..
1959-60	25,668	12,062	43,348	1,392	3,074	22,612	27,060	22,262	104,784	154,106	155	..
1960-61	26,790	14,754	55,378	1,570	3,142	27,694	28,360	25,566	126,962	180,888	181	..
1961-62	23,408	11,174	37,940	1,466	3,016	25,594	24,874	20,988	101,230	147,092	147	..
1962-63	26,358	14,726	51,206	1,566	3,104	29,430	27,924	26,102	125,772	179,798	180	..
1963-64	29,032	15,670	57,076	2,128	3,090	30,116	31,160	27,040	139,122	197,322	198	..
Monthly total												
1964-65	31,219	21,372	68,714	2,214	3,617	31,316	33,433	33,524	169,819	236,776	242	..
1965-66	31,350	16,913	64,879	2,483	3,665	33,458	33,833	28,585	179,104	241,522	245	..
1966-67	33,797	17,689	64,386	2,370	3,539	37,250	36,167	27,976	186,187	250,330	254	..
1967-68	34,960	18,405	72,638	2,213	3,697	42,226	37,173	28,662	202,081	267,916	272	..
1966-67—												
March	34,543	18,650	64,302	2,342	4,078	37,680	36,885	28,262	181,569	246,716	250	264
April	35,965	18,858	64,252	2,358	4,048	34,757	38,323	29,063	194,761	262,147	265	262
May	34,923	18,726	71,503	2,089	3,021	37,943	37,012	28,356	195,396	260,764	264	254
June	31,867	19,340	72,473	2,658	4,138	37,199	34,525	30,513	200,992	266,030	269	265
1967-68—												
July	30,191	15,727	64,242	2,218	2,883	36,563	32,409	25,086	175,020	232,515	236	240
August	32,613	19,757	85,680	2,508	3,951	47,986	35,121	31,048	243,736	309,905	314	285
September	33,702	19,527	74,124	2,034	3,690	43,347	35,736	30,215	206,553	272,504	276	276
October	34,646	18,939	69,611	2,491	3,978	43,972	37,137	29,036	195,486	261,659	265	269
November	38,714	15,673	62,939	2,433	4,281	45,110	41,147	24,699	198,317	264,163	270	261
December	28,522	16,647	54,292	1,566	2,509	32,189	30,088	24,937	147,208	202,233	207	236
January	34,414	19,152	77,530	2,176	3,723	41,301	36,590	29,492	207,090	273,172	277	261
February	38,997	17,100	79,916	2,185	3,306	44,801	41,182	27,124	213,850	282,156	287	293
March	32,158	20,134	77,717	2,219	4,685	40,646	34,377	31,517	216,185	282,079	286	289
April	39,036	16,064	69,109	1,730	3,699	38,722	40,766	26,215	181,620	248,601	252	261
May	41,198	21,793	81,510	3,064	4,723	53,759	44,262	34,859	238,265	317,386	322	306
June	35,325	20,353	74,988	1,938	2,939	38,313	37,263	29,721	201,646	268,630	273	288
1968-69p—												
July	34,095	20,420	83,437	3,785	4,727	42,168	37,880	32,292	224,809	294,981	299	290
August	39,036	19,803	81,978	3,380	3,462	47,182	42,416	29,130	223,656	295,202	298	277
September	35,942	21,810	80,177	2,845	5,433	48,726	38,787	35,098	233,612	307,497	311	309
October	35,158	23,455	78,706	2,378	4,072	46,337	37,536	35,955	250,431	323,922	327	314
November	40,310	18,811	78,675	2,159	3,606	46,842	42,469	28,969	220,766	292,204	296	302
December	30,878	16,493	74,586	3,206	4,411	42,336	34,084	28,303	196,221	258,608	263	289
January	37,863	19,980	88,814	2,657	3,770	45,161	40,520	31,228	225,620	297,368	301	282
February	35,099	16,496	71,204	2,725	4,915	46,605	37,824	28,333	193,486	259,643	263	288
March	31,788	16,719	65,409	2,814	3,409	41,173	34,602	25,411	176,542	236,555	240	239
April	33,492	18,440	80,034	2,807	3,906	45,922	36,299	29,312	212,831	278,442	283	296

(a) See footnote (c), page 19.

(b) See footnote (a), page 20.

Note. Class II. consists entirely of goods 'simply transformed' and classes IV., V. and VII. entirely of goods 'more elaborately transformed'. Class III. is about equally divided between goods 'simply' and 'more elaborately transformed'.

EXPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES

(f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Meats	Dairy produce	Wheat and flour	Dried fresh and pre-served fruit	Sugar	Ores and concentrates		Road motor vehicles	Wool	Total exports of merchandise	Total exports	
						Non-ferrous	Iron				Original	Seasonally adjusted
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$ 000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m	\$m
Monthly average												
1958-59	16,200	6,507	8,644	5,852	5,360	2,825	..	n.a.	50,374	134,432	135	..
1959-60	14,772	7,355	12,827	5,124	4,445	3,724	4		64,360	154,326	156	..
1960-61	12,044	5,489	20,258	4,873	5,845	4,613	44		55,742	154,674	161	..
1961-62	14,944	5,917	26,670	5,940	5,649	4,037	74		62,088	177,980	180	..
1962-63	18,810	6,443	20,715	6,211	7,587	3,703	43		63,272	178,172	179	..
1963-64	20,292	7,329	33,712	7,371	13,042	4,744	44		80,080	230,192	232	..
1964-65	23,891	8,702	27,902	6,852	9,390	6,751	91		67,256	214,930	221	..
1965-66	23,979	7,423	24,097	8,673	7,827	7,583	251		65,404	219,460	227	..
1966-67	23,235	9,162	32,077	7,877	8,295	8,359	3,834	3,830	67,212	244,549	252	..
1967-68	23,263	7,270	30,569	8,747	8,132	10,226	8,589	3,905	59,645	244,599	254	..
Monthly total												
1966-67—												
March	18,677	7,604	35,608	5,890	4,747	7,650	5,158	4,028	67,315	233,844	239	266
April	19,346	10,378	47,527	11,194	9,288	11,434	5,445	4,725	64,200	257,352	270	271
May	23,410	8,064	42,311	22,596	4,787	9,783	4,896	4,158	68,150	276,678	285	254
June	24,999	5,408	40,285	10,993	7,677	7,320	6,417	3,928	66,354	255,242	264	254
1967-68—												
July	19,793	4,767	33,303	8,933	7,076	10,834	7,339	4,728	61,715	240,917	249	266
August	27,889	6,297	36,988	8,336	10,280	12,193	7,481	2,926	43,861	237,473	248	262
September	21,277	7,511	46,928	7,812	10,129	8,492	6,627	4,433	40,188	238,226	246	266
October	29,234	10,784	31,785	7,923	14,469	6,758	6,909	3,564	58,266	256,229	266	256
November	26,445	11,726	40,087	4,441	15,953	11,284	7,515	4,738	74,330	276,728	284	259
December	21,318	8,944	27,476	4,231	5,899	10,743	7,477	3,213	74,330	276,728	284	254
January	22,463	6,636	22,670	3,408	6,019	6,529	7,125	2,796	62,333	207,993	216	207
February	22,579	7,715	37,761	4,584	6,612	13,994	11,534	1,599	67,093	252,210	259	251
March	20,989	7,075	12,780	6,970	5,928	8,860	9,931	3,666	61,785	226,135	234	246
April	17,880	5,161	25,200	14,611	4,219	12,579	9,821	4,220	59,173	229,990	240	247
May	26,786	5,256	22,004	18,765	6,478	9,055	10,684	5,809	69,298	284,948	293	261
June	22,502	5,372	29,843	14,953	4,521	11,387	10,627	5,164	59,839	258,191	272	287
1968-69pr—												
July	25,350	4,454	18,518	12,510	6,264	9,860	11,054	5,071	63,163	254,881	264	257
August	28,279	4,617	27,953	9,481	12,952	13,808	13,742	4,632	40,405	257,435	268	295
September	24,637	5,366	23,549	5,361	18,476	9,119	11,666	5,547	37,307	233,723	239	268
October	28,890	11,328	21,235	6,303	19,523	13,544	14,681	5,510	70,586	286,675	298	274
November	15,319	6,473	17,833	3,397	6,029	11,850	15,902	4,339	73,395	249,617	263	254
December	25,259	11,481	19,149	3,177	24,310	12,071	13,271	4,496	82,622	295,324	303	309
January	23,284	9,261	20,792	4,726	5,874	8,080	13,460	4,075	89,431	267,988	283	272
February	21,930	7,073	29,947	2,559	8,473	12,321	13,275	4,821	70,958	271,112	289	292
March	18,722	3,383	27,833	4,891	4,588	9,812	16,985	4,157	75,801	264,620	275	289
April	18,300	3,614	26,942	13,436	3,839	12,666	16,002	4,383	68,479	273,648	284	292

EXPORT PRICE INDEX

The table below sets out Export Price Index numbers on the reference base: Year 1959-60=100. A full description of the index and its relationship with the previous index is given in Commonwealth Year Book No. 54, 1968.

(Base of each index: Year 1959-60=100)

Period	Wool	Meats	Dairy produce	Cereals	Dried and canned fruits	Sugar	Hides and tallow	Metals and coal	Gold	All groups
1959-60	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1960-61	92	104	82	99	99	101	92	97	100	95
1961-62	97	100	81	106	95	91	84	91	100	96
1962-63	104	101	88	107	90	107	72	89	100	101
1963-64	120	105	93	107	98	175	73	101	100	114
1964-65	102	110	94	107	100	100	91	123	101	105
1965-66	107	120	86	107	102	84	107	122	101	107
1966-67	103	124	84	114	101	67	89	117	101	105
1967-68	95	125	79	109	95	67	67	120	104	100
1966-67—										
March	100	128	84	113	100	60	85	116	101	103
April	100	128	85	113	100	56	80	115	101	103
May	102	128	85	115	100	57	77	113	101	104
June	100	126	85	115	100	59	76	116	101	103
1967-68—										
July	98	127	85	113	99	59	72	116	101	102
August	92	127	85	112	99	61	70	117	101	99
September	92	126	85	111	99	73	69	117	101	99
October	92	128	85	112	98	122	68	117	101	101
November	92	127	82	108	99	72	65	116	101	98
December	94	121	75	106	98	63	65	123	101	99
January	94	126	75	105	97	58	65	119	101	98
February	98	124	75	106	90	60	66	122	101	101
March	98	121	75	109	90	62	66	125	100	101
April	98	121	74	107	91	61	65	125	105	101
May	98	122	73	108	91	56	64	119	111	100
June	98	126	73	109	92	62	65	120	119	101
1968-69—										
July	96	127	73	107	p95	81	64	120	119	p101
August	96	128	73	107	p95	86	65	118	107	p101
September	98	128	73	107	p95	95	66	120	111	p102
October	102	134	73	106	p95	66	66	120	114	p104
November	104	130	72	107	p95	53	68	119	112	p104
December	100	p127	72	105	p95	54	70	121	112	p102
January	100	p127	72	103	p97	p69	71	121	116	p102
February	p100	p129	72	103	p97	p65	74	123	121	p102
March	p98	p128	72	102	p98	p66	79	123	122	p101
April	p98	p130	72	101	p99	p75	84	127	124	p102

INDEXES OF VALUES OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS AT CONSTANT PRICES

The tables below present quarterly and annual indexes of the values of Australian exports and imports of merchandise at average 1966-67 prices. A description of these measures is given in the first issue of the bulletin *Exports and Imports of Merchandise at Constant Prices* (Ref. No. 8. 21) published on 10 October 1968.

EXPORTS OF MERCHANDISE (Base: Year 1966-67 = 100)

	Food and live animals			Total food and live animals	Wool and sheepskins	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	Metal manufactures, machinery, transport equipment	Other exports	All exports of merchandise (a)
	Meat	Cereals	Other (dairy produce, fruit, sugar, etc.)						
Per cent of total value of exports in 1966-67 (b)	9.5	15.8	12.5	37.8	29.7	5.6	14.2	12.7	100.0
1959-60	Not available								66
1960-61									69
1961-62									79
1962-63									77
1963-64									90
1964-65									89
1965-66									90
1966-67	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1967-68	100	94	99	97	102	147	100	121	105
Quarter ended									
1966-67—									
December	92	70	90	82	109	106	102	101	97
March	81	134	85	105	106	103	86	92	101
June	96	131	125	120	104	123	99	100	110
1967-68—									
September	95	115	94	103	82	140	103	113	100
December	111	102	104	105	110	134	93	123	109
March	98	81	88	88	109	149	90	112	101
June	96	80	111	94	109	167	112	136	111
1968-69 p—									
September	104	77	100	91	82	185	125	138	105
December	95	64	134	95	121	206	108	158	119

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE (Base Year 1966-67 = 100)

	Food, beverages, and tobacco	Fuels	Basic materials	Chemicals (including plastics)	Textiles, fabrics, etc.	Metal manufactures, machinery, transport equipment	Other imports	All imports of merchandise (a)
Per cent of total value of imports in 1966-67 (b)	5.2	8.2	7.4	9.9	8.0	43.3	18.0	100.0
1959-60	Not available							64
1960-61								75
1961-62								61
1962-63								73
1963-64								81
1964-65								98
1965-66								98
1966-67	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1967-68	99	100	107	109	107	111	111	109
Quarter ended								
1966-67—								
December	97	100	98	94	92	88	95	92
March	121	96	95	104	108	96	101	100
June	97	106	103	102	104	109	101	105
1967-68—								
September	90	94	102	107	113	114	108	109
December	94	102	105	93	95	94	106	98
March	109	98	106	122	113	120	114	115
June	103	107	113	115	108	116	115	113
1968-69 p—								
September	111	100	120	124	118	125	127	121
December	113	106	107	131	119	122	125	120

(a) The series shown for years prior to 1966-67 are not strictly comparable to the series shown from 1966-67 onwards (see the bulletin referred to at the head of this page). (b) These percentages may be used in analysing the contribution of each group to movements in the total index.

WHOLESALE PRICE (BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS) INDEX

The weighting system adopted in this index is based on estimates of the average annual consumption of included commodities in Australia in 1928-29 to 1934-35. The validity of the weighting and the representativeness of the index have become increasingly affected by changes in usage and in industrial structure. New series of wholesale price index numbers relating to materials used and articles produced by defined areas of the economy are being developed. The first of these indexes, referring to materials used in building other than house building, was published in statistical bulletin Ref. No. 9, 6 of 23 April 1969 (see pages 26 and 27). Work continues on the preparation of two further measures, relating to materials used in house building and in manufacturing industry respectively. Taken together these first three series will, to a considerable extent, constitute a currently representative replacement for the Wholesale Price (Basic Materials and Foodstuffs) Index, which in the meantime will continue to be published in the shortened form shown below. This is to meet the needs of those who, for special purposes, require the particular indexes included. However, it should be noted that the Building Materials group has been largely superseded by the new index referred to above.

Commodities in the Wholesale Price (Basic Materials and Foodstuffs) Index are priced in their primary or basic form wherever possible. The prices used have, in the main, been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants.

(Base of each index: Average of three years ended June 1939 = 100)

Period	Basic materials			Foodstuffs and tobacco	Basic materials and foodstuffs Total all groups
	Metals and coal(a)	Building materials(b)	Total (b) (c)		
1958-59	392	423	340	332	336
1959-60	395	431	347	348	348
1960-61	399	439	346	372	360
1961-62	392	439	340	332	336
1962-63	388	439	336	342	340
1963-64	383	473	339	352	346
1964-65	391	503	345	364	355
1965-66	390	507	355	385	371
1966-67	396	511	362	401	383
1967-68	397	514	361	411	388
1966-67—					
March	398	512	362	402	384
April	397	512	361	400	382
May	395	512	361	402	383
June	395	507	358	418	391
1967-68—					
July	394	509	358	427	395
August	394	510	358	432	398
September	394	510	360	422	393
October	394	511	360	397	380
November	395	511	360	396	380
December	398	511	360	396	380
January	398	511	361	396	380
February	398	513	362	396	380
March	399	515	363	400	383
April	400	519	364	419	394
May	399	519	364	428	399
June	396	523	364	428	399
1968-69—					
July	394	524	364	425	397
August	395	525	363	412	390
September	397	528	364	407	387
October	400	532	367	401	385
November	403	533	368	396	383
December	402	533	367	396	383
January	408	534	369	397	384
February	r411	541	r372	p399	r387
March	r411	543	p373	p406	p391

(a) Special purpose index for the 'Metals and coal' group excluding coal and briquettes: March 1969, 515. (b) See paragraph 1 of notes at head of table, and pages 26 and 27. (c) In addition to the groups shown, includes Oils, fats and waxes; Textiles; Chemicals; and Rubber and hides.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING

A detailed description of the index is contained in statistical bulletin Ref. No. 9.6 of 23 April 1969. Copies are available on request.

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS

WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES

(Base of each Index: Year 1966-67 = 100.0)(a)

Period	Concrete mix, cement, sand, etc.	Cement products	Bricks, stone, etc.	Timber, board and joinery	Steel and iron products	Aluminium products	Other metal products	Plumbing fixtures	Miscellaneous materials	Electrical installation materials (b) (c)	Mechanical services components (b)	All groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	101.5	102.2	103.7	103.0	102.3	101.4	105.9	102.8	102.3	100.9	101.4	102.2
1966-67—												
July	99.1	98.5	97.3	98.4	98.1	97.5	89.4	99.6	98.7	94.3	99.5	97.9
August	99.4	98.5	99.2	98.7	99.1	98.8	107.6	99.6	98.8	100.7	99.7	99.5
September	99.3	98.6	99.2	98.9	99.9	98.9	94.9	99.6	99.0	100.7	100.4	99.5
October	99.4	99.5	99.5	99.8	100.0	99.0	99.7	99.7	99.5	100.7	100.4	99.9
November	99.6	100.1	100.0	100.3	100.0	99.9	104.1	100.0	100.3	101.4	100.5	100.3
December	99.5	100.2	100.0	100.4	100.0	99.9	104.1	100.0	100.3	101.4	100.5	100.3
January	99.5	100.6	100.0	100.5	100.0	100.4	104.1	100.0	100.4	101.4	100.4	100.4
February	99.6	100.6	100.0	100.4	100.4	101.1	104.1	99.8	100.1	101.6	100.4	100.5
March	101.2	100.8	100.3	100.5	100.5	101.1	103.9	100.3	100.4	101.6	99.8	100.7
April	101.2	100.8	101.3	100.6	100.6	101.1	96.0	100.3	100.6	101.6	99.5	100.6
May	101.2	100.8	101.6	100.8	100.6	101.1	96.1	100.3	100.8	97.5	99.5	100.3
June	101.2	100.9	101.6	100.8	100.8	101.1	96.1	100.7	101.2	97.5	99.5	100.4
1967-68—												
July	101.3	100.9	101.6	101.2	101.2	101.2	96.0	100.7	101.3	97.5	100.0	100.6
August	101.3	101.0	102.9	101.6	101.3	101.2	95.9	101.4	101.4	97.6	99.3	100.7
September	101.3	101.2	103.1	102.7	101.4	101.2	96.5	103.5	101.6	97.6	99.9	101.0
October	101.3	101.4	103.8	102.8	101.5	101.2	98.4	103.3	101.5	97.6	99.9	101.1
November	101.5	102.0	103.8	103.1	101.6	101.2	110.8	103.3	102.0	102.2	100.4	102.1
December	101.6	102.0	104.1	103.1	101.6	101.2	110.8	103.3	102.7	102.2	100.4	102.1
January	101.6	102.0	104.1	103.1	101.6	101.4	110.8	103.3	102.7	102.2	100.6	102.2
February	101.3	102.0	104.1	103.2	103.0	101.4	110.8	103.3	102.8	104.0	102.2	102.9
March	101.5	102.1	104.1	103.3	103.3	101.4	116.3	103.3	102.7	104.0	102.7	103.3
April	101.6	103.4	104.1	103.7	103.5	101.4	116.3	103.3	102.8	104.0	102.7	103.5
May	101.6	104.0	104.1	103.9	103.6	101.3	106.4	102.6	102.8	100.9	104.0	103.2
June	101.7	104.3	104.9	104.2	103.7	102.4	101.2	102.6	102.7	100.9	104.8	103.3
1968-69—												
July	101.9	104.3	105.1	104.2	103.9	102.9	100.3	102.5	103.3	100.9	105.3	103.5
August	102.1	104.4	105.5	104.8	103.9	103.0	100.4	102.0	103.3	99.0	105.6	103.5
September	102.1	104.5	105.6	105.0	104.5	102.9	101.3	102.0	103.3	99.0	106.0	103.8
October	102.1	104.8	106.5	105.3	105.0	104.0	102.3	102.0	103.1	99.0	107.0	104.2
November	102.0	105.4	108.7	106.4	105.5	104.0	102.8	102.2	103.1	100.2	108.1	104.9
December	104.5	106.9	109.1	107.4	105.7	104.3	105.3	103.0	102.7	100.2	108.1	105.5
January	104.6	107.1	109.2	107.5	106.8	104.4	105.4	102.6	102.5	100.2	108.1	105.9
February p.	104.7	107.5	109.4	108.0	107.1	104.1	109.5	102.5	103.3	104.1	108.2	106.5
March p.	102.8	107.8	109.6	108.5	107.3	104.1	109.9	104.5	103.3	104.6	108.5	106.6

(a) Figures are shown to one decimal place to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the index numbers to the nearest whole number. (b) The whole of the group Electrical Installation Materials and the majority of the items in the group Mechanical Services Components are based on Sydney and Melbourne price series. (c) The indicator used for this group is the Wholesale Price Index of Electrical Installation Materials which was issued quarterly up to February 1969, when monthly compilation was commenced.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING

See note at top of page 26. The separate city indexes shown below measure price movements within each city individually. They do not compare price levels as between cities.

ALL GROUPS INDEX NUMBERS—SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES

(Base of each Index: Year 1966-67=100.0) (a)

		State capital cities—separately and combined						
Period		Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Weighted average of six State capital cities
1966-67		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68		102.6	101.7	102.2	101.8	102.0	102.3	102.2
1966-67—								
July		97.4	98.2	98.0	98.5	98.1	97.8	97.9
August		99.1	99.6	99.7	99.9	99.8	99.5	99.5
September		99.3	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.7	99.7	99.5
October		99.7	100.1	99.8	99.8	99.9	99.9	99.9
November		100.3	100.4	100.3	100.3	100.3	100.3	100.3
December		100.3	100.4	100.2	100.3	100.3	100.5	100.3
January		100.3	100.4	100.4	100.3	100.3	100.5	100.4
February		100.5	100.6	100.7	100.4	100.3	100.7	100.5
March		100.9	100.5	100.6	100.5	100.4	100.6	100.7
April		100.9	100.3	100.5	100.3	100.2	100.4	100.6
May		100.5	99.9	100.3	100.0	100.4	100.1	100.3
June		100.7	99.9	100.3	100.0	100.4	100.2	100.4
1967-68—								
July		100.9	100.3	100.6	100.2	100.6	100.8	100.6
August		101.1	100.2	100.8	100.4	100.6	100.8	100.7
September		101.6	100.4	101.0	100.5	100.9	100.9	101.0
October		101.7	100.5	101.1	100.6	101.2	101.0	101.1
November		102.6	101.4	102.1	101.6	102.0	101.9	102.1
December		102.6	101.5	102.2	101.7	102.2	101.9	102.1
January		102.6	101.6	102.2	101.8	102.2	101.9	102.2
February		103.1	102.7	103.2	102.9	102.6	103.2	102.9
March		103.6	102.9	103.3	103.2	102.9	103.5	103.3
April		103.7	103.1	103.4	103.2	102.9	103.8	103.5
May		103.6	102.8	103.1	102.9	102.6	103.6	103.2
June		103.8	102.8	103.1	103.0	102.9	103.8	103.3
1968-69—								
July		104.1	102.9	103.2	103.4	103.1	103.8	103.5
August		104.2	102.9	103.0	103.3	103.2	103.7	103.5
September		104.6	103.2	103.1	103.4	103.5	103.8	103.8
October		104.9	103.9	103.5	103.7	103.8	104.0	104.2
November		105.6	104.6	104.3	104.2	104.4	104.5	104.9
December		106.5	104.8	105.5	104.6	104.5	104.7	105.5
January		106.8	105.2	105.9	105.1	104.8	105.1	105.9
February p		107.5	105.8	106.5	105.7	105.5	105.5	106.5
March p		107.9	106.0	104.9	106.4	105.7	106.0	106.6

(a) Figures are shown to one decimal place to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the index numbers to the nearest whole number.

PRICE INDEXES: VARIOUS COUNTRIES

(Source: *Monthly Bulletin of Statistics* of the Statistical Office of the United Nations.)

The index numbers show fluctuations in prices in each country and do not measure relative price levels as between countries.

The items priced and the levels at which they are priced in these indexes vary widely according to the intended purposes of the indexes of the various countries. A short dash on each side of an index number (e.g., -101-) indicates that two series have been linked at that period.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES

(Base of each index: Year 1963=100)

Period	Australia	Canada	France	Federal Republic of Germany (a)	Japan	New Zealand	South Africa	United Kingdom	United States of America
1962	98.1	98.1	96.5	99.5	98.2	96.8	98.7	97.7	100.3
1963	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1964	102.3	100.3	101.6	101.1	100.2	104.5	102.3	103.9	100.2
1965	105.8	102.4	103.1	103.5	-101.0-	105.6	105.6	104.4	102.2
1966	110.2	106.1	105.4	105.3	103.4	106.7	109.6	107.7	105.6
1967	112.5	108.0	104.6	104.4	105.3	106.9	112.3	106.9	105.8
1968	p113.2	110.2	106	98.8	106.1	114.3	113.6	116.2	108.4
Quarter									
1967—									
September	115.3	108.2	103.5	104.1	105.0	106.1	113.0	105.4	106.0
December	110.8	108.7	105.2	104.2	106.2	107.6	112.8	110.3	106.1
1968—									
March	111.1	109.3	105.1	99.2	106.5	112.5	112.9	117.1	107.5
June	115.8	109.9	104.4	98.5	105.7	113.2	113.1	115.3	108.2
September	114.1	110.4	106	98.5	105.8	115.1	113.7	114.8	108.7
December	p111.9	111.4	110	98.9	106.4	118.1	114.8	117.5	109.2
1969—									
March									110.9

(a) Calculation of Wholesale Price Index including value added tax has been discontinued. Therefore the index numbers include turnover tax instead of value added tax for all years shown.

CONSUMER (RETAIL) PRICE INDEXES

(Base of each index: Year 1963=100)

Period	Australia (a)	Canada	France	Federal Republic of Germany	Japan	New Zealand	South Africa (b)	United Kingdom	United States of America (c)
1963	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1964	102	102	103	102	104	104	103	103	-101-
1965	106	104	106	106	111	-107-	106	108	103
1966	110	108	109	110	116	110	110	113	106
1967	113	112	112	111	121	117	114	115	109
1968	116	117	117	113	128	122	116	121	114
Quarter									
1967—									
December	114	114	113	111	124	118	114	116	110
1968—									
March	115	115	115	112	126	119	115	118	112
June	116	116	116	113	126	121	115	121	113
September	116	117	117	112	127	122	116	121	114
December	118	118	120	113	130	124	117	123	116
1969—									
March	118					126			117

(a) Consumer Price Index converted to base: 1963=100

(b) White population.

(c) Prior to 1964, excluding Alaska and Hawaii.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The Consumer Price Index has been compiled for periods from September quarter 1948. A detailed description of the index is contained in Labour Report No. 52, 1965 and 1966.

The fifth link was effected as at December quarter 1968 and at the same time the reference base year was changed to 1966-67. For further details see statistical bulletin of Consumer Price Index, March quarter 1969 (Ref. No. 9.1).

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES (Base of each index: Year 1966-67 = 100.0)(a)

Period(b)	Food	Clothing and drapery	Housing	Household supplies and equipment	Miscellaneous	All groups
1958-59	81.6	90.5	72.9	94.4	81.4	83.6
1959-60	84.7	91.5	75.4	95.4	83.2	85.7
1960-61	90.2	93.4	80.8	96.6	85.5	89.2
1961-62	88.6	94.4	84.0	97.9	86.1	89.6
1962-63	87.8	94.7	86.5	97.7	86.6	89.8
1963-64	89.0	95.3	89.1	96.4	87.3	90.6
1964-65	93.9	96.8	92.0	97.2	91.4	94.0
1965-66	98.4	97.9	95.9	98.9	95.8	97.4
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	104.7	102.2	104.5	101.2	102.8	103.3
Quarter						
1963-64—						
December	88.0	95.1	88.7	96.3	87.0	90.1
March	89.0	95.2	89.2	96.5	87.4	90.7
June	90.8	95.9	90.2	96.8	87.5	91.5
1964-65—						
September	92.3	96.2	90.9	96.2	89.4	92.6
December	93.3	96.6	91.7	96.7	91.7	93.7
March	94.0	96.9	92.2	97.8	92.2	94.3
June	96.0	97.3	93.3	98.1	92.2	95.2
1965-66—						
September	98.4	97.3	94.1	98.5	92.6	96.2
December	98.6	97.6	95.6	98.8	95.9	97.4
March	97.8	97.8	96.2	98.8	97.2	97.6
June	98.8	98.7	97.8	99.5	97.3	98.4
1966-67—						
September	98.7	98.9	98.5	99.7	98.7	98.8
December	99.4	99.8	99.5	100.0	100.0	99.7
March	100.0	100.2	100.1	99.9	100.3	100.1
June	101.9	101.1	101.8	100.4	101.0	101.3
1967-68—						
September	104.8	101.4	102.9	100.6	101.8	102.7
December	103.9	102.1	104.2	101.1	102.8	103.0
March	104.6	102.3	104.7	101.1	103.1	103.4
June	105.6	102.8	106.0	101.9	103.6	104.2
1968-69—						
September	105.3	103.3	106.7	102.1	105.1	104.6
December	105.5	104.1	108.7	102.7	107.3	105.7
March	105.7	104.4	109.7	103.0	108.5	106.4

(a) Figures appearing after the decimal point possess little significance for general statistical purposes. They are inserted to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the figures to the nearest whole number. (b) Some of the annual index numbers shown here differ by 0.1 of an index point from those published in the quarterly statistical bulletin *Consumer Price Index*, March quarter 1969. They have now been rounded so that the annual index numbers are averages of the four quarterly index numbers as converted to the new reference base year 1966-67 = 100.0.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

See note at top of page 29. The separate city indexes shown below measure price movements within each city individually. They do not compare price levels as between cities.

The fifth link was effected as at December quarter 1968 and at the same time the reference base year was changed to 1966-67. For further details see statistical bulletin of Consumer Price Index, March quarter 1969 (Ref. No. 9.1).

ALL GROUPS INDEX NUMBERS SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES AND CANBERRA (Base of each index: Year 1966-67 = 100.0) (a)

Period(b)	State capital cities—separately and combined							Canberra
	Weighted average of six State capital cities	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	
1958-59	83.6	84.6	82.9	82.1	83.6	83.2	84.1	85.8
1959-60	85.7	86.5	85.3	84.2	86.2	84.8	85.6	87.6
1960-61	89.2	89.6	89.5	87.1	89.8	87.9	90.3	90.3
1961-62	89.6	89.9	89.8	88.4	89.5	88.2	90.7	91.6
1962-63	89.8	90.4	89.7	88.7	89.1	88.7	90.7	91.8
1963-64	90.6	91.4	90.4	89.6	90.2	89.8	91.7	92.5
1964-65	94.0	94.5	94.0	93.0	93.9	92.6	94.6	95.3
1965-66	97.4	97.7	97.5	97.5	97.0	96.1	98.0	98.1
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	103.3	103.2	103.7	103.3	102.9	102.9	104.6	102.6
Quarter								
1963-64—								
December	90.1	90.9	89.8	89.0	89.6	89.3	91.4	92.1
March	90.7	91.4	90.3	89.7	90.2	90.1	91.9	92.4
June	91.5	92.3	91.2	90.4	91.4	90.9	92.2	93.1
1964-65—								
September	92.6	93.4	92.1	91.6	92.7	91.8	93.3	94.2
December	93.7	94.2	93.7	92.6	93.9	91.8	94.5	95.2
March	94.3	94.7	94.5	93.5	94.2	92.8	94.9	95.6
June	95.2	95.6	95.5	94.2	94.9	93.8	95.8	96.3
1965-66—								
September	96.2	96.7	96.4	96.0	95.5	94.3	97.0	97.3
December	97.4	97.8	97.5	97.2	96.9	95.5	98.3	98.4
March	97.6	97.8	97.5	98.2	97.2	96.3	97.8	98.2
June	98.4	98.3	98.4	98.4	98.2	98.1	98.7	98.5
1966-67—								
September	98.8	98.8	98.9	99.0	98.6	98.8	98.6	98.9
December	99.7	99.9	99.6	99.7	99.7	99.3	99.2	99.7
March	100.1	100.1	100.0	100.3	100.2	100.3	100.6	100.1
June	101.3	101.1	101.6	101.0	101.5	101.6	101.5	101.3
1967-68—								
September	102.7	102.5	102.9	102.8	102.6	102.0	104.3	102.2
December	103.0	102.9	103.3	103.0	102.1	102.5	105.0	102.4
March	103.4	103.2	103.8	103.7	102.6	103.1	104.6	102.6
June	104.2	104.0	104.8	103.7	104.2	104.0	104.6	103.2
1968-69—								
September	104.6	104.4	105.1	104.7	104.2	104.3	105.0	103.5
December	105.7	105.9	106.0	105.3	105.2	104.9	105.8	103.9
March	106.4	106.7	106.6	105.8	105.5	105.6	106.5	104.6

(a) Figures appearing after the decimal point possess little significance for general statistical purposes. They are inserted to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the figures to the nearest whole number. (b) Some of the annual index numbers shown here differ by 0.1 of an index point from those published in the quarterly statistical bulletin *Consumer Price Index*, March Quarter 1969. They have now been rounded so that the annual index numbers are averages of the four quarterly index numbers as converted to the new reference base year 1966-67 = 100.0.

SHARE PRICE INDEX

This index relates to ordinary shares of the principal companies (excluding banks) listed on the Sydney Stock Exchange, and whose business in New South Wales is extensive. The prices of individual shares are unweighted and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per \$2 of paid-up capital. Adjustments are made for changes in the capital structure of the companies. The total index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of thirty-four miscellaneous shares.

INDEX OF PRICES OF SHARES ON SYDNEY STOCK EXCHANGE

(Base of each index: Average of 3 years ended June 1939 = 1,000) (a)

Period	Twenty-three manufac- turing and distributing companies	Ten retail companies	Four pastoral and finance companies	Four insurance companies	Total seventy-five companies	Thirty-four active shares included in foregoing
1958-59	2,411	2,002	1,597	3,117	1,966	1,978
1959-60	3,188	2,702	2,382	4,245	2,718	2,743
1960-61	3,223	2,866	2,095	4,888	2,787	2,855
1961-62	3,359	2,872	1,915	5,620	2,949	2,932
1962-63	3,278	3,021	2,050	5,922	2,988	2,943
1963-64	3,607	3,186	2,507	6,045	3,254	3,261
1964-65	3,705	2,445	2,438	5,087	3,123	3,126
1965-66	3,327	1,969	1,907	4,677	2,826	2,778
1966-67	3,236	1,831	2,025	4,735	2,844	2,721
1967-68	3,781	2,197	1,947	5,697	3,387	3,145
1966-67—						
March	3,245	1,769	2,065	4,817	2,840	2,707
April	3,290	1,782	1,969	4,854	2,855	2,741
May	3,232	1,824	1,918	4,875	2,860	2,749
June	3,226	1,823	1,937	4,800	2,835	2,726
1967-68—						
July	3,369	1,914	1,953	5,018	2,972	2,843
August	3,496	1,943	2,004	5,295	3,132	2,973
September	3,595	1,972	2,049	5,449	3,184	3,033
October	3,705	1,982	1,904	5,578	3,236	3,073
November	3,826	2,049	1,797	5,650	3,330	3,136
December	3,671	2,080	1,827	5,606	3,270	3,038
January	3,724	2,104	1,862	5,727	3,316	3,079
February	3,782	2,140	1,912	5,696	3,423	3,101
March	3,694	2,320	1,876	5,666	3,367	3,062
April	3,846	2,406	1,899	6,035	3,509	3,206
May	4,207	2,591	2,090	6,262	3,825	3,498
June	4,462	2,865	2,193	6,376	4,077	3,699
1968-69—						
July	4,516	2,880	2,248	6,790	4,162	3,785
August	4,520	3,009	2,330	7,338	4,224	3,869
September	4,356	2,925	2,307	7,603	4,166	3,785
October	4,225	2,841	2,248	7,051	4,009	3,617
November	4,312	2,983	2,265	7,261	4,106	3,729
December	4,569	3,164	2,542	7,298	4,328	3,929
January	4,772	3,362	2,669	7,675	4,517	4,134
February	4,696	3,215	2,642	7,859	4,498	4,091
March	4,645	3,212	2,563	8,367	4,506	4,052
April	4,645	3,264	2,467	8,481	4,564	4,093

(a) Converted from original base, par values.

WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS OF WORK: ADULT MALES

End of—	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia	
							Rates	Index Nos. (Base: 1954 = 100.0)
Weighted average minimum weekly rates of wage(a)								
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
June—								
1957	32.40	31.58	30.28	30.64	31.78	31.90	31.67	112.1
1958	32.96	31.91	31.08	31.20	31.95	32.29	32.16	113.9
1959	33.82	33.07	32.68	32.80	32.72	33.32	33.28	117.8
1960	35.65	34.95	34.47	34.18	35.03	34.97	35.09	124.3
1961	36.69	35.05	35.73	34.23	36.24	35.21	35.79	126.7
1962	37.28	36.34	35.98	35.52	36.39	36.28	36.59	129.6
1963	38.02	36.90	36.62	36.27	36.94	36.94	37.25	131.9
1964	40.00	38.88	37.45	38.48	38.08	39.45	39.06	138.3
1965	40.45	39.66	40.88	38.83	39.29	39.86	40.04	141.8
1966	41.14	40.50	42.84	39.59	42.06	41.10	41.11	145.6
1967—								
February	43.85	43.53	43.75	42.54	43.73	43.89	43.62	154.5
March	44.08	43.55	43.75	42.55	43.83	43.95	43.73	154.8
April	44.09	43.55	44.16	42.55	43.96	44.00	43.80	155.1
May	44.10	43.55	44.28	42.55	43.98	44.09	43.82	155.2
June	44.14	43.58	44.38	42.60	44.03	44.12	43.87	155.3
July	r45.19	44.56	45.46	43.68	44.75	45.22	r44.89	158.9
August	r45.20	44.56	45.52	43.76	44.83	45.24	44.91	159.0
September	r45.20	44.56	45.54	43.76	44.97	45.24	44.92	159.1
October	r45.21	44.58	45.55	43.78	44.99	45.29	r44.94	159.1
November	r45.24	44.59	45.55	43.78	45.07	45.31	r44.96	159.2
December	r45.24	44.59	45.55	43.78	45.08	45.31	r44.96	159.2
1968—	r					r	r	r
January	46.02	45.43	45.90	44.63	45.22	46.07	45.66	161.7
February	46.06	45.54	45.96	44.91	45.23	46.55	45.76	162.0
March	46.23	45.61	45.98	44.99	45.26	46.62	45.86	162.4
April	46.54	45.76	46.19	45.16	45.29	46.73	46.07	163.1
May	46.80	45.82	46.28	45.22	45.43	46.82	46.22	163.7
June	46.85	45.95	46.41	45.36	45.47	46.84	46.31	164.0
July	46.89	46.21	46.47	r45.43	45.51	46.86	46.41	164.3
August	47.52	46.63	46.80	r45.87	45.83	47.23	46.90	166.1
September	47.60	46.82	46.86	r46.04	r45.91	47.34	47.02	166.5
October	49.06	r48.46	r48.38	r47.66	r47.34	48.82	48.55	171.9
November	49.09	r48.59	r48.45	r47.71	r47.45	48.85	48.62	172.2
December	49.19	r48.71	r48.86	r47.94	r47.59	48.91	48.78	172.7
1969—								
January	r49.41	r48.87	r48.90	r48.05	r47.83	r48.98	r48.94	r173.3
February	49.57	48.90	48.91	48.06	47.83	49.04	49.02	173.6
March	49.63	48.92	48.97	48.08	47.85	49.04	49.06	173.7

Weighted average standard weekly hours of work(b)

March 1969	39.95	39.97	39.98	39.96	39.89	39.97	39.96	100.0
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(a) For a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements. Excludes rural. Rates shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as indexes expressed in money terms, indicative of trends. They do not measure the relative level of minimum wages as between States. Figures for July 1967 and subsequent months are subject to revision. (b) Excludes rural, and shipping and stevedoring.

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS(a) PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT(b)

The following figures are derived from employment and wages and salaries recorded on pay-roll tax returns, from other direct collections and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. The figures relate to civilians only.

Period	New South Wales(c)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia(d)	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia	Seasonally adjusted index(e)
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
1958-59	42.30	42.00	37.20	38.60	36.60	39.20	40.70	124.5
1959-60	45.70	45.50	39.40	41.80	39.20	41.90	43.90	134.3
1960-61	48.10	47.20	41.60	43.40	41.60	43.30	46.00	140.6
1961-62	49.10	48.50	43.20	44.70	43.00	45.30	47.20	144.7
1962-63	50.20	50.10	44.40	45.80	44.20	45.90	48.40	148.3
1963-64	52.60	52.50	46.90	48.20	47.20	48.40	50.90	155.9
1964-65	56.50	56.40	50.40	52.00	49.50	51.00	54.60	167.3
1965-66	58.60	59.20	52.50	53.80	54.10	53.80	57.00	174.6
1966-67	62.40	63.00	55.60	56.90	58.30	57.40	60.70	186.0
1967-68	66.00	66.80	58.80	60.40	62.50	61.00	64.30	197.0
Quarter								
1963-64—								
September	50.70	51.00	45.70	46.80	46.60	46.40	49.30	150.9
December	55.40	55.80	49.20	50.30	49.80	50.70	53.70	155.4
March	50.00	49.80	44.60	46.50	44.70	46.50	48.40	157.9
June	54.20	53.50	48.00	49.10	47.60	49.90	52.10	159.0
1964-65—								
September	55.00	55.60	49.40	52.20	48.10	49.60	53.50	163.6
December	59.30	58.70	52.50	53.40	51.80	51.90	57.00	165.5
March	54.10	54.10	47.70	50.10	46.40	49.70	52.20	169.7
June	57.70	57.40	51.90	52.30	51.60	52.70	55.80	170.3
1965-66—								
September	58.20	59.20	52.60	54.60	53.10	50.50	56.80	172.4
December	60.30	61.40	55.30	55.30	55.50	56.40	59.00	173.6
March	56.90	55.60	49.20	51.40	52.40	53.10	54.60	175.9
June	58.80	60.50	52.70	53.80	55.30	55.20	57.70	176.4
1966-67—								
September	61.40	62.50	55.20	56.50	57.90	54.90	60.00	182.0
December	63.80	64.80	57.80	57.80	59.50	59.50	62.30	183.8
March	60.30	59.80	53.00	55.30	56.80	55.50	58.30	187.0
June	64.20	65.10	56.50	57.90	59.00	59.50	62.40	190.4
1967-68—								
September	64.80	66.10	58.10	60.00	60.90	58.80	63.40	194.1
December	67.40	69.20	61.40	61.60	63.80	63.30	66.20	195.9
March	64.00	63.50	55.70	58.80	60.80	58.90	61.90	197.6
June	67.70	68.30	59.80	61.30	64.30	62.90	65.90	201.2
1968-69—								
September	68.40	68.50	60.50	62.50	64.70	60.50	66.30	203.3
December	74.30	73.30	64.70	65.90	68.50	66.90	71.30	209.7
March	69.60	69.50	60.10	63.10	65.60	61.00	67.20	215.7

(a) Includes, in addition to wages at award rates, earnings of salaried employees, overtime earnings, over-award and bonus payments, payments made in advance or retrospectively during the periods specified, etc. (b) Total wages and salaries, etc., divided by the total number of civilian employees expressed in male units, i.e., total male employees plus 55 per cent of female employees. This proportion is derived from the estimated ratio of female to male earnings in Australia. As it was not possible to estimate the ratio of female to male earnings in the several States, the same ratio has been used for each State. Because the actual ratio may vary between States, precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above. (c) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (d) Includes the Northern Territory. (e) All industries—Australia base 1953-54=100. There has been no change in the basis of seasonal adjustment of this series. It has not yet been adjusted by the programmes used for other Bureau series.

Note. Quarterly figures shown in money terms are affected by seasonal influences. Comparisons as to trend are generally best made by relating complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. However, from December quarter 1963, comparisons with corresponding quarters of earlier years are affected by additional prepayments arising from extensions of annual leave from two to three weeks.

BUILDING APPROVALS(a): AUSTRALIA

Period	New houses and flats							Other new buildings		Alterations(b) and additions		Total
	Private (c)			Government (c)		Total		Private (c)	Government (c)	Private (c)	Government (c)	
	Number(d)		Value	Number (d)	Value	Number* (d)	Value					
	Original	Seasonally adjusted						Value	Number (d)	Value	Number* (d)	Value
			\$'000		\$'000		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Monthly Average												
1958-59	6,308	..	38,216	1,190	6,376	7,498	44,592	17,278	9,006	9,812	1,940	82,628
1959-60	7,587	..	47,162	1,066	6,062	8,653	53,224	22,502	11,346	11,654	1,894	100,620
1960-61	6,446	..	42,648	1,355	7,418	7,801	50,066	23,894	13,332	11,504	1,562	100,358
1961-62	5,886	..	39,882	1,180	6,666	7,066	46,548	22,794	15,352	11,578	1,440	97,712
1962-63	6,623	..	45,724	1,243	7,004	7,866	52,728	24,926	17,688	13,044	1,310	109,696
1963-64	8,127	..	56,930	1,575	9,278	9,702	66,208	25,844	23,724	14,022	1,324	131,122
1964-65	8,774	..	64,224	1,459	9,636	10,233	73,860	35,078	22,632	15,726	1,990	149,286
1965-66	7,966	..	61,495	1,216	8,243	9,182	69,738	33,392	25,168	14,669	1,596	144,563
1966-67	8,680	..	69,331	1,398	10,135	10,078	79,466	36,356	27,717	10,768	466	154,772
1967-68	9,904	..	83,054	1,107	8,590	11,011	91,644	40,053	35,673	11,407	546	179,323
Monthly Total												
1966-67—												
March	7,928	8,225	65,616	1,053	7,172	8,981	72,788	37,428	20,962	10,813	401	142,392
April	8,708	8,836	72,475	1,137	9,149	9,845	81,624	33,185	27,041	11,195	535	153,580
May	10,081	9,049	83,939	1,679	12,573	11,760	96,512	48,505	37,659	12,344	456	195,476
June	9,357	8,812	76,587	948	7,047	10,305	83,634	44,367	36,973	11,053	559	176,586
1967-68—												
July	9,278	9,083	79,657	929	6,553	10,207	86,210	37,855	22,736	11,006	497	158,304
August	10,781	9,372	87,341	920	6,666	11,701	94,007	36,073	24,811	12,570	642	168,103
September	9,518	9,244	79,574	851	6,921	10,369	86,495	51,365	40,491	11,751	646	190,748
October	10,405	9,748	85,589	1,374	9,509	11,779	95,098	34,740	37,725	12,283	510	180,356
November	10,625	9,937	85,845	1,024	9,200	11,649	95,045	46,868	26,737	12,372	604	181,626
December	8,109	10,117	66,224	1,310	10,164	9,419	76,388	39,421	33,150	9,570	471	159,000
January	8,618	10,855	73,312	762	5,861	9,380	79,173	30,186	45,862	9,498	376	165,095
February	9,466	9,586	79,107	1,380	11,072	10,846	90,179	32,407	31,438	10,704	505	165,233
March	10,369	10,374	84,355	1,345	11,511	11,714	95,866	34,331	40,323	11,312	558	182,390
April	9,597	10,063	82,005	977	6,799	10,574	88,804	35,701	38,927	10,856	681	174,969
May	11,701	10,576	97,836	1,185	9,965	12,886	107,801	45,804	55,881	13,318	603	223,407
June	10,381	10,604	95,804	1,223	8,863	11,604	104,667	55,878	29,998	11,639	464	202,646
1968-69—												
July	11,799	10,662	104,543	863	6,312	12,662	110,855	43,234	31,275	12,947	420	198,731
August	11,639	10,696	103,888	1,355	9,255	12,994	113,143	50,944	25,855	12,870	445	203,257
September	11,568	11,069	102,288	1,365	10,188	12,933	112,476	35,763	25,207	12,571	1,196	187,213
October	11,666	10,460	102,545	1,007	7,902	12,673	110,447	42,747	25,840	14,199	610	193,843
November	10,813	10,794	94,309	1,732	13,599	12,545	107,908	40,522	17,013	13,073	473	178,989
December	9,907	11,518	84,346	1,349	10,389	11,256	94,735	44,672	30,319	10,135	516	180,377
January	8,665	11,051	79,436	957	9,445	9,622	88,881	40,368	23,076	9,710	297	162,332
February	10,045	10,791	91,544	1,169	9,601	11,214	101,145	50,851	28,886	11,881	334	193,097
March	10,957	10,750	101,409	1,952	17,081	12,909	118,490	43,378	32,021	13,250	471	207,610
April	10,916	11,539	100,677	882	6,806	11,798	107,483	56,824	26,680	12,710	467	204,164

(a) Includes permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorised by government authorities. (b) Prior to 1 July 1966 additions of \$10,000 and over are included with new buildings in all States except New South Wales. From 1 July 1966, additions and/or alterations of \$10,000 and over are included with new buildings in all States. (c) Building is classified as 'Private' or 'Government' according to ownership. (d) Number of individual living units.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see pages 35 and 36.

BUILDING APPROVALS

VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED(a)
(including alterations and additions)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$ m	\$ m
Monthly Average										
1958-59	30,852	25,246	9,084	7,822	4,714	2,300	438	2,172	82.6	..
1959-60	38,976	29,986	10,910	8,856	5,778	3,262	624	2,228	100.6	..
1960-61	37,546	27,650	12,236	11,136	6,012	2,544	498	2,736	100.4	..
1961-62	37,570	26,274	10,754	9,448	6,638	3,150	658	3,220	97.7	..
1962-63	40,908	30,740	12,206	10,790	7,172	3,118	806	3,956	109.7	..
1963-64	47,164	36,142	15,382	14,474	10,368	2,876	966	3,750	131.1	..
1964-65	53,764	40,388	18,366	15,442	11,822	3,740	1,524	4,240	149.3	..
1965-66	48,854	42,211	20,586	12,604	11,051	4,072	1,289	3,895	144.6	..
1966-67	53,856	44,636	19,463	10,972	14,433	4,668	1,526	5,218	154.8	..
1967-68	61,959	46,484	23,579	13,702	21,067	6,201	2,443	3,888	179.3	..
Monthly Total										
1966-67—										
March	50,721	39,416	22,222	7,773	12,529	6,673	642	2,416	142.4	152.2
April	50,276	45,004	16,854	11,448	13,878	7,224	1,913	6,883	153.6	156.8
May	67,521	55,922	23,213	14,703	20,827	6,962	1,523	4,805	195.5	170.6
June	62,537	40,371	23,048	12,023	18,774	4,238	3,201	12,394	176.6	152.1
1967-68—										
July	48,167	44,531	20,349	15,423	20,679	4,057	823	4,275	158.3	162.9
August	62,254	47,330	19,223	9,548	19,634	4,738	1,040	4,336	168.1	153.1
September	65,567	50,787	31,771	13,193	21,520	3,735	471	3,704	190.7	178.0
October	62,294	49,143	19,057	18,061	17,521	5,260	1,423	7,597	180.4	171.3
November	62,188	51,048	24,400	16,642	16,748	4,147	2,500	3,953	181.6	179.7
December	53,908	48,559	18,543	10,154	17,295	4,858	2,613	3,070	159.0	189.6
January	56,950	27,382	25,266	17,616	23,940	6,540	3,556	3,845	165.1	194.4
February	55,181	39,716	21,101	17,454	18,703	7,083	3,407	2,588	165.2	177.4
March	67,740	48,739	21,991	10,782	22,715	4,405	3,567	2,451	182.4	184.9
April	55,807	48,190	21,815	13,491	20,097	9,194	3,631	2,744	175.0	189.1
May	81,458	53,247	36,106	10,228	22,790	15,092	1,493	2,993	223.4	193.6
June	71,998	49,136	23,328	11,837	31,157	5,303	4,789	5,098	202.6	191.4
1968-69—										
July	64,896	59,668	23,339	11,809	25,376	4,604	975	8,064	198.7	185.7
August	80,334	57,756	21,173	13,876	19,053	3,938	1,461	5,666	203.3	194.9
September	62,855	48,715	22,372	14,302	25,367	4,453	3,642	5,507	187.2	175.9
October	64,550	55,146	24,817	12,214	25,022	4,989	1,951	5,514	193.8	176.0
November	66,438	44,159	20,851	10,930	23,746	4,374	1,985	6,506	179.0	185.9
December	59,211	60,205	17,621	13,842	22,211	2,050	1,696	3,541	180.4	204.2
January	60,257	34,135	18,430	11,305	23,762	3,489	5,353	5,601	162.3	191.4
February	73,886	44,501	23,060	14,991	23,755	2,835	1,832	8,237	193.1	216.5
March	73,536	47,888	24,879	13,269	34,144	5,508	2,866	5,520	207.6	211.0
April	76,297	43,313	24,611	16,516	32,508	6,006	1,897	3,016	204.2	222.0

(a) See footnote (a) page 34.

BUILDING APPROVALS

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS APPROVED(a)
(Individual living units)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
Monthly average										
1958-59	2,929	2,066	952	708	455	219	31	138	7,498	..
1959-60	3,484	2,422	1,039	777	537	228	37	129	8,653	..
1960-61	3,058	1,966	993	892	510	202	32	148	7,801	..
1961-62	2,720	1,784	896	711	574	220	39	122	7,066	..
1962-63	2,892	2,169	869	898	622	220	35	161	7,866	..
1963-64	3,624	2,670	1,049	1,145	773	234	51	156	9,702	..
1964-65	3,910	2,742	1,240	1,028	781	243	78	211	10,233	..
1965-66	3,271	2,456	1,313	911	767	220	62	182	9,182	..
1966-67	3,527	2,884	1,410	707	954	287	75	234	10,078	..
1967-68	3,951	3,208	1,359	643	1,260	311	111	167	11,010	..
Monthly total										
1966-67—										
March	3,240	2,592	1,443	506	765	255	24	156	8,981	9,503
April	3,401	2,662	1,327	553	941	603	154	204	9,845	9,765
May	3,933	3,313	1,974	779	1,147	368	63	183	11,760	10,320
June	3,586	2,764	1,398	641	1,300	383	94	139	10,305	9,689
1967-68—										
July	3,505	3,167	1,248	718	1,045	321	21	182	10,207	10,118
August	4,179	3,548	1,395	597	1,305	415	52	210	11,701	10,228
September	3,901	2,883	1,322	591	1,235	288	17	132	10,369	9,996
October	4,325	3,267	1,419	908	1,242	346	74	198	11,779	10,994
November	4,130	3,737	1,393	717	1,147	312	60	153	11,649	11,092
December	3,344	2,918	1,177	475	1,047	249	113	96	9,419	11,217
January	3,978	2,030	1,204	502	1,189	236	80	161	9,380	12,063
February	4,015	3,243	1,373	513	1,148	209	190	155	10,846	11,391
March	3,944	3,593	1,627	565	1,288	308	277	112	11,714	11,669
April	3,317	3,311	1,273	914	1,193	277	184	105	10,574	11,125
May	4,836	3,818	1,543	582	1,393	528	64	122	12,886	11,426
June	3,935	2,985	1,337	637	1,887	245	204	374	11,604	11,682
1968-69—										
July	4,733	3,640	1,541	673	1,574	276	28	197	12,662	11,612
August	4,875	3,631	1,430	1,045	1,466	273	81	193	12,994	11,949
September	4,425	3,407	1,651	771	1,861	321	163	334	12,933	12,331
October	4,418	3,645	1,486	705	1,715	279	82	343	12,673	11,310
November	4,646	3,304	1,386	807	1,758	315	46	283	12,545	12,635
December	3,874	3,602	1,083	687	1,527	169	116	198	11,256	12,662
January	3,921	1,681	1,252	668	1,377	272	192	259	9,622	12,522
February	4,399	2,364	1,398	701	1,731	187	146	288	11,214	12,364
March	4,616	3,168	1,531	808	2,005	237	112	432	12,909	12,689
April	4,659	2,656	1,204	936	1,818	231	117	177	11,798	12,432

(a) See footnote (a) page 34.

VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF NEW BUILDINGS: AUSTRALIA

(\$ million)

Period	Commenced							Completed			Under construction at end of period		
	Houses and flats	Other		Total		New private buildings		Houses and flats	Other	Total	Houses and flats	Other	Total
		Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted						
Quarterly average													
1963-64	190.8	162.9	..	353.7	..	258.1	..	171.5	136.7	308.2	386.8	694.8	1,081.6
1964-65	215.7	188.4	..	404.1	..	302.2	..	205.7	160.9	366.6	433.1	823.2	1,256.3
1965-66	211.3	193.9	..	405.2	..	302.8	..	217.5	184.4	401.9	418.3	882.1	1,300.4
1966-67	235.9	209.3	..	445.2	..	328.4	..	228.7	204.6	433.3	459.6	923.4	1,383.0
1967-68	266.1	231.4	..	497.5	..	367.2	..	255.7	210.7	466.4	515.0	1,026.5	1,541.6
Quarterly total													
1966-67—													
September	233.2	214.4	202.3	447.6	421.9	333.5	313.1	221.0	210.5	431.6	433.4	893.3	1,326.7
December	232.2	168.9	197.1	401.1	439.5	304.5	323.9	250.3	223.1	473.4	418.5	845.9	1,264.4
March	230.9	216.7	208.7	447.6	448.2	342.6	341.8	203.2	194.9	398.1	449.8	872.4	1,322.2
June	247.3	237.0	226.1	484.3	470.0	332.8	336.3	240.2	190.1	430.3	459.6	923.4	1,383.0
1967-68—													
September	267.5	226.7	215.0	494.2	467.9	378.2	354.9	248.2	202.4	450.6	482.4	949.9	1,432.2
December	244.7	193.9	226.0	438.5	479.5	342.7	363.2	276.2	236.1	512.4	452.0	915.5	1,367.5
March	262.0	260.8	250.5	522.9	523.1	364.2	362.9	231.3	202.3	433.6	488.1	976.2	1,464.3
June	290.1	244.1	233.0	534.2	518.3	383.8	389.4	267.0	202.0	469.0	515.0	1,026.5	1,541.6
1968-69—													
September	309.3	228.7	217.3	538.0	510.4	432.7	405.7	281.6	236.7	518.3	546.5	1,024.9	1,571.3
December	310.0	208.6	242.9	518.6	566.3	412.7	436.2	315.2	271.0	586.3	545.1	962.8	1,507.9

VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

(\$'000)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
Quarterly average									
1963-64	117,920	83,708	33,254	29,576	23,216	8,494	1,990	10,042	308,200
1964-65	132,886	100,570	44,618	38,626	26,774	9,436	2,946	10,746	366,602
1965-66	145,809	103,844	52,326	40,075	32,545	9,920	3,016	14,392	401,927
1966-67	156,489	117,984	54,775	33,805	40,534	12,055	3,311	14,396	433,349
1967-68	159,739	124,343	64,244	34,633	48,851	15,471	5,074	14,067	466,421
Quarterly total									
1966-67—									
September	153,345	116,374	53,416	33,258	39,965	11,509	3,511	20,178	431,556
December	169,672	138,466	60,919	34,209	37,893	13,133	3,179	15,971	473,442
March	145,051	102,375	49,072	34,533	40,202	12,438	3,802	10,623	398,096
June	157,888	114,728	55,691	33,221	44,075	11,138	2,751	10,810	430,302
1967-68—									
September	157,555	125,991	54,638	34,766	45,394	16,635	2,615	13,024	450,618
December	155,505	146,707	75,733	38,693	54,546	20,141	5,856	15,214	512,395
March	158,080	101,843	57,919	38,874	46,526	11,821	8,022	10,549	433,634
June	167,818	122,829	68,684	26,198	48,937	13,288	3,802	17,481	469,037
1968-69—									
September	164,194	155,029	72,559	28,860	57,739	9,957	7,181	22,828	518,347
December	206,597	146,941	64,530	48,382	72,390	18,654	8,115	20,665	586,274

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS(a)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia				
									New houses and flats		New private houses and flats		
Commenced													
									Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	
Quarterly average													
1963-64	9,542	7,684	2,873	3,237	2,266	667	140	486	26,895	..	22,566	..	
1964-65	10,552	7,955	3,521	3,345	2,299	699	188	618	29,177	..	24,384	..	
1965-66	9,259	7,270	3,926	2,736	2,282	603	158	569	26,801	..	22,950	..	
1966-67	9,743	8,269	3,992	2,423	2,749	785	218	600	28,779	..	24,527	..	
1967-68	10,144	9,077	4,071	2,078	3,661	877	267	604	30,779	..	27,153	..	
Quarterly total													
1966-67—September	9,292	8,339	3,838	2,915	2,531	861	187	566	28,529	27,004	24,741	23,617	
December	9,834	8,468	3,612	2,397	2,785	679	302	598	28,675	29,738	24,006	24,876	
March	10,117	7,852	4,092	1,972	2,798	649	206	603	28,289	29,139	24,167	24,626	
June	9,730	8,418	4,426	2,409	2,880	949	179	632	29,623	29,277	25,195	24,997	
1967-68—September	10,154	9,373	4,284	2,285	3,391	958	276	742	31,463	29,970	27,600	26,460	
December	9,755	8,796	3,388	1,998	3,251	802	130	486	28,606	29,537	25,349	26,166	
March	9,913	8,621	4,208	2,056	3,730	970	262	685	30,445	31,396	26,784	27,318	
June	10,752	9,517	4,405	1,974	4,272	779	400	504	32,603	32,173	28,879	28,647	
1968-69—September	11,532	9,883	4,152	2,281	4,407	716	395	696	34,062	32,530	30,620	29,392	
December	11,956	9,656	4,140	2,346	4,443	792	314	873	34,520	35,552	30,793	31,723	
March p	12,634	8,532	4,268	2,155	4,522	657	225	893	33,886	34,970	29,851	30,460	
Completed													
												Original	
Quarterly average													
1963-64	8,432	6,767	2,740	2,869	2,143	669	84	479	24,183	..	..	20,418	
1964-65	9,973	7,874	3,406	3,218	2,322	683	152	535	28,163	..	..	23,869	
1965-66	10,192	7,609	3,657	3,052	2,222	620	196	645	28,192	..	..	23,759	
1966-67	9,217	8,066	4,074	2,709	2,504	737	121	545	27,973	..	..	23,961	
1967-68	10,345	8,570	4,070	2,204	3,063	906	228	659	30,045	..	..	26,147	
Quarterly total													
1966-67—September	9,163	7,779	3,734	3,098	2,212	671	97	636	27,390	27,425	..	23,217	
December	9,969	9,026	4,764	2,910	2,790	758	153	547	30,917	28,570	..	26,293	
March	8,385	6,833	3,716	2,307	2,272	638	127	430	24,708	27,177	..	21,806	
June	9,350	8,626	4,081	2,521	2,740	883	107	569	28,877	28,643	..	24,528	
1967-68—September	10,021	8,760	4,009	2,398	2,959	836	156	740	29,879	29,850	..	25,877	
December	11,139	9,518	4,102	2,426	3,325	1,091	285	665	32,551	30,055	..	28,172	
March	9,571	7,263	3,733	1,897	2,906	801	215	536	26,922	29,666	..	23,895	
June	10,647	8,737	4,435	2,096	3,060	895	254	694	30,818	30,584	..	26,645	
1968-69—September	11,282	8,786	4,239	2,164	3,839	758	222	626	31,916	31,854	..	27,903	
December	11,801	10,289	4,546	2,342	3,999	921	397	614	34,909	32,220	..	31,426	
March p	10,589	7,395	3,786	1,765	4,122	619	176	647	29,099	32,083	..	26,130	
Under construction at end of period													
									Original			Original	
1963-64	20,240	17,863	3,608	6,364	3,984	1,723	480	1,215	55,477			45,029	
1964-65	22,557	18,189	4,068	6,872	3,895	1,788	623	1,543	59,535			47,086	
1965-66	18,827	16,833	5,144	5,605	4,133	1,720	471	1,240	53,973			43,850	
1966-67	20,933	17,646	4,817	4,462	5,113	1,908	861	1,457	57,197			46,115	
1967-68	20,129	19,627	4,823	3,949	7,492	1,792	1,019	1,239	60,070			50,068	
1966-67—September	18,956	17,393	5,248	5,422	4,452	1,910	561	1,170	55,112			45,374	
December	18,821	16,835	4,096	4,909	4,447	1,831	710	1,221	52,870			43,087	
March	20,553	17,854	4,472	4,574	4,973	1,842	789	1,394	56,451			45,448	
June	20,933	17,646	4,817	4,462	5,113	1,908	861	1,457	57,197			46,115	
1967-68—September	21,066	18,259	5,092	4,349	5,545	2,030	981	1,459	58,781			47,838	
December	19,682	17,537	4,378	3,921	5,471	1,741	826	1,280	54,836			45,015	
March	20,024	18,895	4,853	4,080	6,295	1,910	873	1,429	58,359			47,904	
June	20,129	19,627	4,823	3,949	7,492	1,792	1,019	1,239	60,070			50,068	
1968-69—September	20,379	20,582	4,736	4,056	8,048	1,729	1,192	1,306	62,028			52,597	
December	20,534	19,894	4,330	4,045	8,485	1,587	1,109	1,562	61,546			51,872	
March p	22,579	20,962	4,812	4,435	8,885	1,612	1,158	1,808	66,251			55,511	

(a) Individual living units. Only new flats are included, i.e., the conversions of old buildings into flats are omitted. Figures for flats include 'home units'.

VALUE OF WORK DONE(a) ON NEW BUILDINGS

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
New houses and flats										
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m
Quarterly average										
1963-64	63,330	52,278	18,894	20,620	14,934	4,645	983	4,715	180,399	..
1964-65	75,980	60,081	24,835	23,311	17,014	5,146	1,526	5,975	213,868	..
1965-66	76,227	58,352	28,761	21,560	17,225	4,714	1,714	6,414	214,968	..
1966-67	78,515	66,477	31,239	19,344	22,944	6,025	1,865	6,285	232,695	..
1967-68	88,242	73,354	34,640	17,566	30,330	7,643	2,727	7,110	261,611	..
Quarterly total										
1966-67—September	77,720	65,787	29,130	21,309	21,158	5,584	1,879	6,783	229,350	222.7
December	79,362	66,630	31,343	20,067	23,251	5,658	1,648	5,566	233,525	231.8
March	73,164	62,765	30,675	17,751	21,804	5,290	1,619	5,961	219,029	231.0
June	83,815	70,737	33,807	18,250	25,562	7,568	2,308	6,829	248,876	245.1
1967-68—September	88,102	74,010	34,698	18,801	26,152	8,086	2,373	7,407	259,629	252.2
December	87,248	73,397	31,979	17,838	29,823	7,569	2,438	7,210	257,502	255.4
March	85,607	69,220	33,155	16,917	27,906	7,192	2,837	6,969	249,803	264.1
June	92,009	76,789	38,729	16,708	37,438	7,724	3,261	6,853	279,511	274.6
1968-69—September	101,759	82,383	37,037	17,880	38,448	7,107	2,961	7,795	295,370	287.2
December	104,047	87,193	38,518	18,825	41,551	7,267	3,155	7,973	308,529	305.8
Other new buildings										
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m
Quarterly average										
1963-64	59,200	38,406	18,251	13,364	9,489	4,318	1,374	6,162	150,564	..
1964-65	66,458	43,293	21,724	16,780	13,730	4,443	1,419	7,489	175,336	..
1965-66	77,392	52,249	26,684	17,631	16,146	6,086	1,723	7,723	205,323	..
1966-67	70,746	55,371	26,703	16,552	17,988	7,250	2,295	6,756	203,661	..
1967-68	71,565	58,083	29,196	16,811	22,780	7,372	2,900	8,269	216,975	..
Quarterly total										
1966-67—September	86,031	60,105	27,421	17,244	17,378	7,105	1,824	7,858	224,966	213.9
December	66,528	55,628	24,768	17,458	18,550	7,985	2,391	7,509	200,817	199.4
March	59,539	50,490	25,474	15,054	18,685	6,240	2,073	5,201	182,756	195.2
June	70,885	55,261	29,150	16,454	17,338	7,668	2,893	6,456	206,105	205.6
1967-68—September	69,259	57,995	28,750	16,873	22,993	7,683	2,515	6,030	212,098	201.1
December	72,506	59,110	29,421	16,624	22,507	7,366	2,725	10,468	220,727	219.0
March	67,196	55,943	26,592	15,928	21,795	7,120	3,698	8,774	207,046	221.4
June	77,299	59,285	32,021	17,817	23,823	7,318	2,663	7,804	228,030	227.8
1968-69—September	87,479	69,787	32,692	16,768	25,366	7,922	3,279	8,263	251,556	234.8
December	81,267	62,758	31,104	16,660	25,978	8,769	2,871	7,416	236,823	235.0
All new buildings										
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m
Quarterly average										
1963-64	122,529	90,685	37,145	33,984	24,423	8,962	2,358	10,877	330,963	..
1964-65	142,438	103,374	46,559	40,091	30,744	9,589	2,944	13,465	389,204	..
1965-66	153,619	110,601	55,445	39,190	33,371	10,800	3,437	13,827	420,290	..
1966-67	149,261	121,850	57,942	35,897	40,932	13,274	4,158	13,041	436,356	..
1967-68	159,807	131,437	63,836	34,377	53,109	15,015	5,628	15,379	478,587	..
Quarterly total										
1966-67—September	163,751	125,892	56,551	38,553	38,536	12,689	3,703	14,641	454,316	437.8
December	145,890	122,258	56,111	37,525	41,801	13,643	4,039	13,075	434,342	431.0
March	132,703	113,255	56,149	32,805	40,489	11,530	3,692	11,162	401,785	424.5
June	154,700	125,998	62,957	34,704	42,900	15,236	5,201	13,285	454,981	451.7
1967-68—September	157,361	132,005	63,448	35,674	49,145	15,769	4,888	13,437	471,727	454.4
December	159,754	132,507	61,399	34,462	52,330	14,935	5,163	17,678	478,228	473.8
March	152,803	125,163	59,748	32,845	49,701	14,312	6,535	15,743	456,850	483.5
June	169,308	136,074	70,750	34,525	61,261	15,042	5,924	14,657	507,541	503.9
1968-69—September	189,238	152,170	69,729	34,648	63,814	15,029	6,240	16,058	546,926	523.2
December	185,314	149,951	69,622	35,485	67,529	16,036	6,026	15,389	545,352	540.0

(a) See footnote (b) page 34.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES

These statistics are designed primarily to measure trends in expenditure by private businesses on fixed tangible assets. The statistics are based on returns obtained from private businesses subject to pay-roll tax (other than businesses in rural, professional, gas and electricity industries), from government banks and airlines, and from other businesses not subject to pay-roll tax which undertake projects of more than \$500,000 in any half year. For statistics of capital expenditure by all private businesses, see the series 'Gross Fixed Capital Expenditure' on page 57 of this publication.

(\$ million)

NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY INDUSTRY

Period	Manufacturing									Non-manufacturing				All Industries*
	Extracting, refining, found-ing	Engine-ering (a)	Vehi-cles (b)	Chem-i-cals (c)	Textiles and clothing	Food, drink and tobacco	Paper and printing	Other manu-fact-uring (d)	Total manu-fact-uring	Whole-sale and retail trade	Mining	Trans-port (e)	Other non-manu-fact-uring (f)	
Quarterly average														
1963-64	24.9	22.2	16.1	25.2	6.2	25.3	11.8	19.4	151.1	54.5	16.9	18.6	44.9	285.9
1964-65	29.6	27.1	23.1	31.8	8.0	35.2	13.8	24.1	192.7	55.4	26.6	31.7	53.1	359.6
1965-66	43.7	30.5	20.0	37.2	10.3	36.7	15.1	27.8	221.2	63.3	54.3	32.7	68.1	439.6
1966-67	46.0	32.1	10.6	31.7	8.6	34.2	17.2	27.2	207.5	61.6	60.7	32.4	62.1	424.3
1967-68	41.4	29.9	13.4	32.4	7.6	36.6	19.6	26.9	207.8	63.2	81.3	42.9	72.8	468.0
Quarterly total														
1965-66—														
June	54.7	34.6	16.1	41.6	11.2	35.8	18.7	29.4	242.1	62.4	55.4	28.7	69.9	458.5
1966-67—														
September	61.2	31.2	9.7	41.4	7.1	32.9	12.8	28.5	224.8	65.3	46.9	29.6	65.8	432.4
December	46.6	33.5	10.7	36.8	7.6	38.6	17.4	28.2	219.4	70.0	68.9	25.8	67.4	451.6
March	36.0	26.4	7.9	24.8	8.0	27.6	15.8	24.6	171.1	54.5	52.9	37.4	51.9	367.8
June	40.2	37.3	14.0	23.7	11.5	37.8	22.7	27.6	214.8	56.6	74.1	36.7	63.3	445.6
1967-68—														
September	42.2	29.3	13.6	26.1	6.7	35.2	18.5	25.5	197.1	65.6	70.4	35.7	65.0	433.8
December	48.5	34.2	12.9	33.4	7.8	44.6	22.8	28.5	232.7	60.7	97.1	50.8	81.5	522.8
March	32.8	24.2	13.3	26.9	6.7	28.7	17.5	23.8	173.9	58.8	72.2	34.2	65.1	404.2
June	42.1	31.9	13.8	43.1	9.2	38.1	19.4	29.8	227.4	67.7	85.6	50.9	79.4	511.0
1968-69—														
September	39.2	32.6	13.5	39.0	8.0	31.9	20.4	24.9	209.5	76.5	90.7	38.5	69.2	484.4
December	41.9	40.2	12.0	42.8	12.0	35.8	17.0	30.0	231.7	81.7	122.1	44.6	95.1	575.2
March p	28.7	30.3	11.0	27.9	8.7	30.0	16.1	30.5	183.2	55.0	108.2	29.3	73.3	449.0

NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY TYPE OF ASSET

Period	New buildings and structures(g)		Other new capital equipment(h)		Total new capital expenditure	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
Quarterly average						
1963-64	103.3	..	182.6	..	285.9	..
1964-65	116.4	..	243.1	..	359.6	..
1965-66	145.2	..	294.4	..	439.6	..
1966-67	140.1	..	284.2	..	424.3	..
1967-68	168.7	..	299.3	..	468.0	..
Quarterly total						
1965-66—						
June	154.2	149.3	304.3	280.8	458.5	433.4
1966-67—						
September	141.3	138.4	291.1	299.4	432.4	437.6
December	148.4	133.9	303.1	282.3	451.5	412.9
March	122.0	145.5	245.8	281.8	367.8	426.6
June	148.8	144.3	296.7	274.4	445.5	422.3
1967-68—						
September	167.1	163.7	266.7	274.7	433.8	439.7
December	191.8	172.9	331.0	308.1	522.8	476.5
March	143.0	170.4	261.2	298.2	404.2	468.1
June	172.8	167.8	338.2	313.8	511.0	485.9
1968-69—						
September	181.7	178.0	302.7	311.8	484.4	491.0
December	234.9	211.7	340.3	316.5	575.2	523.5
March p	167.7	199.4	281.3	320.7	449.0	519.8

(a) Engineering, metalworking, electrical equipment. (b) Vehicles, aircraft and ships, parts and accessories. Includes assembly and repairs. (c) Chemicals, fertilisers, paints, explosives, cosmetics and oil refining. (d) Sawmilling, furniture, plastics, leather, rubber, etc. (e) Road, rail and air transport (including government airlines), shipping and stevedoring. (f) Building, construction, banking (including government banks), insurance, other finance and property, amusement, hotels, cafes, personal services, etc. (g) Includes assets such as buildings, wharves, railway and harbour construction, roads and also lifts, heating and ventilation equipment and the like forming an integral part of the structure. (h) Includes all machinery and equipment including vehicles, aircraft and ships, and such items as new motors, lathes, office equipment and fixtures.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see below.

MINE PRODUCTION OF SELECTED MINERALS

Period	Metals										Bauxite (b)	Iron ore (b)
	Copper (a)	Lead (a)	Zinc (a)	Tin (a)	Gold (a)	Silver (a)	Mineral sands concentrates(b)					
							Rutile	Ilmenite	Zircon			
	tons	tons	tons	tons	'000 fine oz	'000 fine oz	tons	tons	tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	
Monthly average												
1958-59	7,226	27,230	23,571	199	91.7	1,353	6,674	5,531	6,735	1	334	
1959-60	8,584	26,577	24,825	187	90.6	1,276	7,186	6,966	9,880	1	358	
1960-61	r9,152	r25,181	r27,256	211	89.6	1,232	7,961	10,917	10,052	7	401	
1961-62	r7,694	r24,718	r25,707	226	89.2	1,190	9,115	15,576	10,825	1	435	
1962-63	r8,725	r32,529	r28,735	234	89.2	1,526	12,177	13,511	12,926	14	405	
1963-64	r9,796	r32,807	r28,321	259	81.9	1,628	15,596	22,944	15,314	40	496	
1964-65	r6,548	r30,297	r28,953	309	78.9	1,405	16,376	31,123	17,315	87	498	
1965-66	r9,622	r30,746	r30,139	382	74.6	1,568	19,324	41,063	19,975	112	r603	
1966-67	r8,370	r31,281	r33,014	r404	r71.5	r1,566	r21,244	r42,711	r20,889	257	r1,071	
1967-68p	r7,702	r30,706	r32,646	499	r67.1	r1,748	r23,463	r44,159	r24,873	375	r2,333	
Monthly total												
1966-67—												
January	r7,400	r18,717	r20,672	r304	r71.3	r1,196	r20,743	r41,027	r18,869	865	r2,757	
February	r7,563	r31,381	r34,890	r396	r59.6	r1,569	r20,694	r42,750	r20,209			
March	r8,791	r32,622	r34,329	r386	r64.9	r1,719	r21,383	r45,734	r22,473	1,121	r3,179	
April	r7,425	r30,779	r32,567	r538	r74.8	r1,591	r21,854	r44,198	r23,544			
May	r7,758	r35,815	r40,017	r308	r66.3	r1,700	r23,453	r44,782	r25,769			
June	r6,822	r34,800	r35,811	r538	r75.7	r1,443	r21,179	r44,600	r24,356			
1967-68p—												
July	r7,870	r19,994	r19,510	r541	r68.8	r1,660	r21,489	r44,230	r23,744	1,116	r5,273	
August	r7,924	r38,708	r41,094	r427	r60.9	r1,564	r23,262	r53,680	r26,781			
September	r7,392	r36,266	r37,013	r614	r64.7	r2,015	r22,153	r47,160	r24,528	1,074	r5,678	
October	r7,563	r37,167	r40,457	r461	r65.7	r1,822	r24,011	r47,457	r26,281			
November	r7,175	r36,942	r39,335	r487	r66.7	r1,883	r23,840	r46,835	r24,991			
December	r6,678	r22,588	r24,832	r586	r65.8	r1,678	r21,453	r41,763	r22,137			
January	6,783	22,648	26,201	379	56.1	1,323	24,975	40,469	24,885	983	4,913	
February	7,553	31,625	33,920	577	57.7	1,678	21,851	39,155	23,040			
March	8,356	34,123	34,969	361	77.1	1,901	24,258	37,039	24,970	1,322	6,122	
April	7,407	29,947	31,511	629	71.6	1,812	24,000	43,514	25,426			
May	8,030	32,212	33,872	454	67.9	1,929	26,258	44,789	27,579			
June	9,690	26,257	29,035	471	82.5	1,706	24,005	43,820	24,119			
1968-69p—												
July	r9,285	r30,936	r32,234	550	r60.0	r1,967	25,049	47,140	26,780	1,257	7,193	
August	r8,893	r28,711	r29,868	596	r61.7	r1,818	23,537	50,822	26,564			
September	r10,508	r36,912	r40,400	642	r63.1	r2,300	23,994	51,737	25,924	1,303	7,752	
October	10,225	38,648	40,950	1,956	73.0	2,064	23,607	48,281	28,945			
November	9,501	37,141	42,245		55.2	2,138	25,065	50,066	25,917			
December	8,970	32,586	38,556		61.8	1,959	22,388	53,285	25,761			
January	9,693	27,117	32,409		52.7	1,770	r26,047	r42,852	r24,707			
February	9,264	27,979	35,118		56.9	1,562	25,288	47,966	25,253			

(a) Quantities shown are metallic contents of mine products based on chemical assay.

(b) Quantities shown are gross output.

PRODUCTION OF SELECTED MINERALS AND METALS

Period	Fuel minerals					Alum- ina	Refined metals(a)						
	Black coal		Brown Coal	Crude petro- leum	Natural gas		Alumi- nium	Copper (b)	Lead (b) (c)	Zinc (b)	Tin	Gold (d)	Silver
	Original	Sea- sonally ad- justed											
	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 barrels	million cu ft	'000 tons	tons	tons	tons	tons	tons	'000 fine oz	'000 fine oz
Monthly average													
1958-59	1,705	..	1,020	..	..	2	965	3,772	15,166	9,559	187	88.7	701
1959-60	1,769	..	1,175	..	..	2	930	5,404	15,595	9,816	189	89.4	616
1960-61	1,912	..	1,310	..	..	2	1,008	5,749	14,568	10,495	202	85.9	660
1961-62	2,036	..	1,394	..	n.a.	3	1,201	5,314	14,541	12,812	203	86.4	552
1962-63	2,025	..	1,481	..	6.1	3	2,239	7,138	17,412	14,654	226	83.8	710
1963-64	2,238	..	1,557	..	8.7	7	4,855	7,435	18,108	15,532	246	75.9	783
1964-65	2,407	..	1,629	165	10.0	16	7,125	4,453	16,586	15,783	244	72.6	745
1965-66	2,688	..	1,796	264	12.6	19	7,269	7,632	15,683	16,378	294	64.5	730
1966-67	2,852	..	1,876	338	12.1	40	7,736	6,193	16,036	16,419	269	60.5	812
1967-68p	3,068	..	1,918	997	13.9	95	7,311	5,996	15,576	15,630	330	54.6	794
Monthly total													
1966-67—													
January	1,705	2,839	1,685	244	39.2	110	7,852	6,659	16,892	17,489	147	51.0	966
February	2,922	2,867	1,627	214			7,389	4,049	15,829	15,256	299	52.7	719
March	2,646	2,841	1,903	327			7,838	4,201	16,749	17,104	366	52.0	764
April	2,741	2,854	1,800	459	37.5	181	7,701	3,423	13,891	15,045	88	50.4	886
May	3,471	3,022	2,008	591			7,812	7,835	17,145	16,680	213	52.2	894
June	2,942	2,712	2,292	584			7,634	5,798	13,351	14,806	261	70.1	876
1967-68p—													
July	3,150	2,877	2,207	683	14.6	254	7,859	4,705	15,246	18,345	256	52.5	922
August	3,136	2,924	2,240	609	12.0		7,897	6,060	17,208	16,615	434	51.7	688
September	2,950	3,001	2,011	887	12.8		7,727	6,388	16,197	16,541	353	52.5	787
October	3,166	2,901	1,997	972	10.5	296	7,407	6,520	16,159	16,269	271	66.9	680
November	3,382	2,991	1,969	961	13.1		7,144	5,948	17,092	15,666	569	71.6	819
December	2,496	3,085	1,644	1,070	12.5		7,066	4,507	15,059	13,755	337	48.5	770
January	1,992	3,060	1,562	1,113	12.2	287	7,350	4,326	15,206	15,756	300	42.1	753
February	3,367	3,145	1,567	1,043	11.1		6,819	4,193	14,091	13,854	327	46.0	640
March	3,341	3,164	1,767	1,147	11.2		7,145	5,383	16,381	14,887	251	52.8	833
April	2,771	3,372	1,864	1,117	16.5	300	6,965	7,091	18,373	15,816	280	52.7	896
May	3,802	3,308	1,945	1,274	20.0		7,131	8,036	13,123	14,987	304	50.7	882
June	3,263	3,308	2,247	1,087	20.7		7,227	8,795	12,773	15,074	273	67.3	857
1968-69p—													
July	4,084	3,414	2,151	1,247	21.8	323	8,076	6,767	12,123	19,025	208	64.0	742
August	3,402	3,503	2,412	1,211	21.3		8,393	7,551	13,125	19,084	316	49.9	768
September	3,545	3,442	2,154	1,144	20.0		8,570	7,445	14,097	19,323	388	51.4	662
October	3,936	3,451	1,910	1,207	21.0	380	9,341	9,438	17,145	18,507	314	49.9	825
November	3,968	3,674	1,821	1,133	20.1		9,211	8,559	14,765	18,015	292	66.9	800
December	2,765	3,437	1,574	1,154	19.9		9,586	6,211	14,030	21,154	439	45.6	769
January	2,529	3,565	1,556	1,159	20.4	300	6,669	15,479	17,330	21,154	318	42.2	821
February	3,627	3,555	1,545	1,052	21.9		8,415	13,443	17,239	19,025	196	46.3	650
March	3,653	3,427	1,195	1,195	26.8		7,880	12,035	20,068	20,068	269	45.6	736

(a) Primary origin only. (b) Source: Bureau of Mineral Resources. (c) Refined lead including lead content of lead alloys from primary sources; excludes lead content of lead-silver bullion produced for export. (d) Newly-won gold of Australian origin. Source: Reserve Bank.

PRODUCTION OF ENERGY AND IRON AND STEEL

Period	Heat, light and power				Iron and steel				
	Total gas available for issue(a)		Total electricity generated		Pig iron	Ingot steel(b)		Blooms and slabs	Tinplate
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted		Original	Seasonally adjusted		
million therms (c)	million therms (c)	million kWh	million kWh	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	tons	
Monthly average					(d)	(d)		(d)	(d)
1958-59	20.4	..	1,788	..	191	267	..	234	6,433
1959-60	21.4	..	1,929	..	221	293	..	252	7,315
1960-61	22.0	..	2,067	..	250	312	..	266	8,982
1961-62	22.0	..	2,184	..	282	339	..	277	8,915
1962-63	22.8	..	2,422	..	283	355	..	306	17,512
1963-64	23.6	..	2,696	..	314	397	..	339	16,511
1964-65	24.0	..	2,973	..	328	419	..	375	18,671
1965-66	24.2	..	3,184	..	365	463	..	402	19,923
1966-67	25.1	..	3,457	..	408	505	..	436	21,398
1967-68p	25.8	..	3,680	..	434	525	..	457	21,172
Monthly total									
1966-67—									
February	18.5	25.0	3,069	3,563	355	454	511	420	20,936
March	21.7	25.7	3,340	3,546	400	521	519	442	21,350
April	22.7	25.1	3,310	3,506	382	460	502	393	19,176
May	28.1	25.1	3,798	3,534	446	551	542	464	22,320
June	30.7	25.0	3,883	3,531	427	528	530	450	24,621
1967-68p—									
July	34.0	25.3	4,177	3,578	438	524	508	468	23,531
August	33.3	26.4	4,205	3,677	449	538	513	467	23,703
September	28.4	26.4	3,757	3,670	427	539	526	467	22,582
October	25.0	24.9	3,611	3,626	416	528	513	473	23,054
November	22.3	24.8	3,513	3,656	382	475	477	432	23,394
December	21.2	25.5	3,207	3,574	435	542	526	457	23,994
January	18.8	25.0	3,240	3,641	445	524	520	456	21,672
February	18.3	24.1	3,280	3,680	420	477	515	416	18,869
March	21.2	25.0	3,541	3,722	460	546	551	470	17,211
April	21.9	24.3	3,433	3,665	442	528	567	448	16,608
May	31.1	28.0	4,143	3,866	466	549	537	479	14,824
June	33.8	27.6	4,256	3,956	435	503	516	445	15,866
1968-69p—									
July	37.5	27.6	4,651	3,890	412	495	480	471	18,052
August	34.8	27.6	4,487	3,945	450	550	521	481	20,025
September	29.9	27.7	4,045	3,980	455	537	522	461	22,179
October	27.8	27.6	3,971	3,936	497	565	548	494	22,059
November	24.5	27.3	3,823	3,997	487	534	538	465	21,952
December	22.6	27.0	3,638	4,026	514	591	566	503	24,339
January	19.5	26.1	r3,618	r4,079	510	579	572	487	22,602
February	19.5	26.7	r3,527	r3,972	449	516	586	442	21,878
March	23.3	27.4	r4,021	r4,219	531	609	608	517	22,862
April	25.0	27.7	3,781	4,048	487	572	625	490	21,652

(a) Includes gas produced in gas works and gas purchased from petroleum refineries. Does not include natural gas. (b) Includes recovery from scrap. (c) 1 Therm — 100,000 British Thermal Units. (d) Monthly averages for twelve months ended May.

PRODUCTION OF BUILDING MATERIALS, BUILDING FITTINGS AND FLOOR COVERINGS

Period	Building materials										Building fittings			Floor coverings (b)
	Clay bricks		Roofing tiles		As- bestos cement build- ing sheets	Sawn Aust. grown timber (a)	Portland cement		Plaster sheets	Particle board	Baths— C.I.P.E. and other	Wash basins— C.I.P.E. and earthen- ware	Sinks— stainless steel	
	Original	Seasonally ad- justed	Terra- cotta	Con- crete			Original	Seasonally ad- justed						
	Million	Million	'000	'000	'000 sq yd	Million sup ft	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 sq yd	Million sq ft	No.	No.	No.	'000 sq yd
Monthly average														
1958-59	78	..	4,936	4,355	2,237	122	207	..	1,528	} n.a. }	10,136	13,217	15,384	1,066
1959-60	86	..	4,739	4,741	2,536	127	219	..	1,550		10,429	14,094	16,240	1,304
1960-61	88	..	4,599	4,388	2,462	121	238	..	1,431		9,719	13,700	16,460	1,141
1961-62	83	..	4,171	4,435	2,233	113	234	..	1,278		9,171	13,327	14,536	1,094
1962-63	88	..	4,274	5,040	2,311	118	245	..	1,319		9,101	14,593	14,474	1,364
1963-64	103	..	4,482	6,379	2,482	121	276	..	1,320		10,571	15,286	16,221	1,542
1964-65	121	..	4,461	7,284	2,754	126	312	..	c1,203		12,541	17,875	18,161	1,949
1965-66	113	..	4,225	6,967	2,698	124	307	..	2,491		12,377	17,544	19,186	2,147
1966-67	114	..	3,942	7,375	2,713	119	305	..	2,583	7.7	12,873	16,946	18,212	2,024
1967-68p	120	..	3,964	8,061	3,047	121	317	..	2,792	9.3	13,799	17,418	18,050	2,231
Monthly total														
1966-67—														
February	110	114	4,158	6,852	2,933	102	291	308	2,577	7.0	13,442	16,752	16,679	2,165
March	117	115	3,897	7,721	3,267	112	308	311	2,725	8.3	14,017	21,020	17,879	2,165
April	113	114	3,700	7,482	2,363	120	311	315	2,417	7.7	17,461	17,536	15,087	1,954
May	129	115	4,240	8,707	2,959	135	354	318	3,209	9.1	16,167	18,503	19,026	2,122
June	116	113	3,983	8,422	2,536	134	317	321	2,620	7.5	13,012	18,761	17,788	1,814
1967-68p—														
July	115	114	3,918	8,640	2,753	109	336	322	2,707	9.3	13,331	16,396	16,208	1,981
August	123	112	4,656	9,007	2,515	134	341	322	3,266	9.8	13,872	18,216	20,774	2,401
September	120	115	3,906	7,933	3,036	134	333	321	2,642	10.0	14,592	18,064	21,949	2,232
October	124	115	3,901	8,360	3,211	143	354	320	2,864	9.6	15,100	15,146	19,650	2,458
November	128	119	4,336	9,119	3,583	127	324	318	3,319	10.9	15,722	17,223	17,189	2,605
December	106	127	3,262	6,060	3,020	114	277	317	2,390	8.6	11,139	16,737	12,951	2,128
January	91	125	2,366	5,226	1,897	82	240	316	1,890	5.4	7,192	7,467	8,246	1,270
February	122	122	3,921	7,886	3,316	105	312	316	2,897	9.2	15,474	16,602	18,611	2,311
March	128	124	4,151	8,876	3,307	124	329	316	2,985	9.7	15,835	19,017	20,826	2,274
April	122	123	3,888	8,285	2,916	117	296	316	2,656	8.8	14,879	18,055	18,308	2,398
May	138	124	4,876	9,333	3,562	135	347	317	3,294	10.9	16,027	25,930	24,046	2,596
June	122	126	4,381	8,009	3,449	126	314	320	2,664	9.3	12,427	20,158	17,846	2,118
1968-69p—														
July	138	126	4,771	9,840	3,410	139	341	323	3,115	11.8	15,930	22,762	19,583	2,647
August	134	128	4,355	9,613	3,353	129	344	327	2,991	10.5	14,856	20,045	18,534	2,533
September	132	130	4,175	9,361	3,253	127	345	331	2,974	10.6	14,859	18,914	19,297	2,595
October	145	129	5,082	10,188	3,512	135	366	334	3,418	12.3	17,302	20,802	18,495	3,022
November	144	137	4,183	10,177	3,514	137	349	336	3,251	11.0	17,347	20,179	22,220	2,547
December	122	140	3,385	7,657	2,792	104	285	338	2,634	9.1	11,703	17,391	15,370	2,205
January	r106	148	2,588	r6,646	1,398	r83	253	339	r1,965	6.4	8,577	13,265	8,352	1,313
February	r136	141	4,284	r10,076	3,344	113	320	341	r2,953	10.9	16,002	17,438	18,626	2,419
March	141	138	3,869	10,842	3,579	117	360	341	2,913	11.6	16,741	21,040	22,075	2,472
April	138	137					317	316		12.1				2,343

(a) Includes timber for sawn sleepers. Source (for 1962-63 and latter periods): Commonwealth Forestry and Timber Bureau and Victorian Forests Commission. (b) Excludes underfelts and underlays. (c) Prior to July 1965 series refers to the production of Fibrous Plaster Sheets only.

PRODUCTION OF HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES, ELECTRIC MOTORS AND ENGINES

Period	Domestic cooking stoves			Domestic refrigerators		Do- mestic clothes washing ma- chines	Radios and radio- grams	Tele- vision sets (c)	Room air con- ditioners (d)	Electric motors			Internal com- bustion engines —petrol (e)
	Solid fuel	Gas(a)— upright or elevated	Electric (b)	Original	Season- ally ad- justed					Under 1 hp		1 hp and over	
										Original	Season- ally ad- justed		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000	'000	'000	No.
Monthly average													
1958-59	3,288	5,531	8,352	18,316	..	15,016	31,526	26,368	1,061	105	..	5.8	24,186
1959-60	3,071	6,634	9,716	19,763	..	16,823	33,549	36,508	3,339	132	..	8.5	24,326
1960-61	2,644	6,097	8,992	18,293	..	16,295	37,899	26,331	5,602	146	..	9.3	15,348
1961-62	2,409	5,639	10,282	17,657	..	18,342	30,583	24,125	2,423	135	..	6.8	16,948
1962-63	2,262	5,464	12,139	17,196	..	17,987	41,671	24,724	948	154	..	7.5	22,367
1963-64	2,340	6,448	14,671	16,949	..	18,506	38,794	22,520	686	176	..	9.4	23,818
1964-65	1,966	7,040	16,301	18,897	..	21,957	38,610	25,918	931	205	..	9.9	23,813
1965-66	1,748	5,930	16,968	17,854	..	20,050	32,962	23,160	2,281	197	..	10.6	18,786
1966-67	1,569	6,290	17,552	19,391	..	19,281	37,304	20,942	3,135	211	..	11.7	22,032
1967-68p—	1,240	6,092	17,836	20,529	..	23,074	41,318	21,189	r4,581	231	..	11.6	r21,286
Monthly total													
1966-67—													
February	1,482	6,989	16,715	19,401	19,610	17,710	36,283	17,453	3,590	213	219	12.2	23,413
March	1,462	7,354	16,913	28,324	20,695	19,759	37,129	20,117	3,420	216	216	13.1	21,413
April	1,189	5,392	14,210	15,522	20,112	17,919	34,930	19,656	2,461	210	223	12.7	15,310
May	1,774	6,548	16,520	19,361	21,340	23,234	36,727	26,587	2,776	236	223	14.2	10,375
June	1,370	5,850	15,973	20,678	21,710	21,624	37,051	26,066	2,072	227	223	12.4	12,516
1967-68p—													
July	1,624	6,190	19,208	20,984	22,241	21,546	36,790	23,342	3,419	235	228	12.2	r24,390
August	1,963	7,036	20,470	24,293	21,033	25,979	43,829	24,390	5,123	273	234	12.7	r36,795
September	1,464	7,676	19,438	24,690	21,047	23,099	43,037	23,040	4,985	253	240	11.1	r38,758
October	1,412	6,858	20,616	24,730	20,467	23,769	49,615	20,690	6,194	251	229	12.7	r36,684
November	1,325	6,817	22,679	25,408	19,747	26,652	59,561	21,905	7,946	287	235	13.6	r31,405
December	1,020	5,698	14,691	17,609	18,427	16,935	44,813	16,184	5,462	202	229	8.4	r15,657
January	554	3,503	8,609	13,426	20,022	11,202	17,707	9,164	3,250	131	225	5.9	r9,037
February	885	6,284	15,866	18,548	17,864	24,047	32,677	21,273	r3,764	224	221	9.7	r18,486
March	1,028	5,905	18,806	20,264	20,520	25,948	39,710	22,696	r3,220	227	229	12.4	12,480
April	919	5,236	16,336	15,805	21,945	21,811	38,710	21,288	r3,334	204	227	13.0	r11,872
May	1,454	6,081	19,687	20,101	21,255	29,100	46,250	28,006	r3,936	261	243	15.2	r10,131
June	1,225	5,824	17,623	20,490	22,750	26,799	43,116	22,294	r4,335	223	231	12.5	r9,738
1968-69p—													
July	1,647	6,276	20,528	25,569	25,231	29,647	44,308	27,862	6,998	280	250	17.5	r13,547
August	1,368	8,012	20,160	27,147	23,992	30,195	52,604	26,428	7,660	276	250	15.6	r32,225
September	1,094	8,225	23,876	26,626	23,682	27,144	53,555	26,189	8,032	267	256	16.3	r36,310
October	1,142	8,973	26,555	30,070	22,682	26,673	73,210	27,176	10,937	304	257	18.6	r37,511
November	1,165	8,245	24,496	27,389	22,495	23,859	88,385	24,658	11,777	r284	r247	18.9	r30,738
December	829	6,694	16,740	19,806	21,270	18,689	68,151	16,497	9,402	228	255	14.1	r21,310
January	553	3,801	10,680	15,561	22,493	13,431	34,182	11,455	4,501	152	258	10.2	r18,519
February	1,000	7,153	18,909	21,502	21,870	24,226	r52,019	20,024	f4,322	241	249	r16.1	r19,457
March	990	8,175	18,715	21,720	22,317	r28,058	r56,428	21,974	f3,375	r245	r251	18.1	21,702
April				18,912		26,080	49,907	21,273		228	243	16.2	16,759

(a) Town or liquefied petroleum gas stoves or ranges. Includes wall ovens, grill-boilers and other ranges.

(b) Includes combinations with radio and/or record player.

(c) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, tractor, aero, etc., and marine engines.

(d) Includes room refrigerated and package unit air conditioners but excludes evaporative room air coolers.

(e) Includes fixed ranges, wall ovens, cooking tops

(f) Includes package unit air conditioners.

(g) Includes room refrigerated and package unit air conditioners.

PRODUCTION OF DAIRY PRODUCTS AND MEAT

Period	Whole milk for all purposes		Dairy products (Factory production)			Meat (carcass weight)					
			Butter (a)	Cheese (b)	Pro- cessed full cream milk products	Beef and veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pigmeat	Total	
	Original	Season- ally adjusted								Original	Season- ally adjusted
	Million gal	Million gal	'000 lb	'000 lb	'000 gal(c)	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons
Monthly average											
1958-59	114.2	..	35,638	8,107	6,756	75.5	25.9	15.2	8.5	125.0	..
1959-60	117.2	..	36,402	8,355	6,886	62.6	30.9	16.9	8.4	118.8	..
1960-61	111.6	..	33,452	8,736	6,385	52.7	30.6	17.2	9.0	109.5	..
1961-62	120.3	..	36,821	10,356	6,502	65.9	30.7	18.2	10.0	124.9	..
1962-63	122.3	..	37,565	10,810	6,931	76.2	30.2	19.2	9.5	135.1	..
1963-64	124.7	..	37,811	10,777	7,686	82.1	30.1	18.8	9.3	140.2	..
1964-65	126.7	..	37,979	11,462	8,081	84.2	30.1	18.6	10.0	142.9	..
1965-66	126.8	..	38,356	10,924	7,766	77.6	32.5	17.4	11.1	138.6	..
1966-67	133.7	..	40,776	12,831	7,837	72.1	29.1	19.8	11.7	132.6	..
1967-68p	125.3	..	36,024	12,937	8,417	74.1	34.4	20.1	12.3	140.9	..
Monthly total											
1966-67—											
January	167.8	137.3	54,947	15,819	10,089	60.6	29.3	19.1	10.1	119.1	133.3
February	130.1	136.7	40,430	11,083	7,964	65.4	29.5	18.6	11.1	124.7	131.2
March	116.0	139.4	33,907	10,007	7,040	67.9	30.5	20.2	12.1	130.8	125.9
April	85.3	131.1	21,639	7,262	4,803	70.1	27.8	18.0	11.8	127.7	129.5
May	73.6	128.7	16,490	6,371	4,089	85.1	31.5	19.6	12.4	148.6	132.3
June	65.5	120.9	13,532	6,019	3,122	81.5	28.5	18.3	11.2	139.4	131.0
1967-68p—											
July	86.1	128.9	20,473	8,512	5,285	79.4	27.1	16.7	11.5	134.6	137.1
August	126.1	131.8	36,051	13,212	8,966	78.2	28.2	18.2	12.0	136.7	135.7
September	160.0	128.0	49,798	17,080	11,346	76.4	32.9	19.3	12.0	140.6	147.3
October	193.8	129.3	62,685	21,077	13,673	75.7	42.3	22.8	12.7	153.5	152.5
November	189.2	129.3	61,327	20,475	12,990	75.8	43.0	24.3	13.3	156.4	151.7
December	173.5	126.4	55,077	18,830	12,274	65.2	42.8	21.6	12.3	141.9	152.6
January	154.8	124.7	48,112	15,945	10,774	61.8	39.3	20.5	11.1	132.6	143.1
February	118.9	121.5	33,785	11,688	7,975	70.0	38.8	20.4	11.7	141.0	140.9
March	95.8	118.2	24,126	9,304	5,802	75.4	37.4	20.7	12.7	146.3	141.4
April	74.3	110.6	16,452	6,643	4,017	72.1	26.9	19.3	12.4	130.8	135.4
May	65.8	115.7	12,580	5,882	3,581	82.0	28.5	19.9	13.3	143.7	125.0
June	65.0	124.3	11,818	6,596	4,326	77.6	24.9	18.0	12.4	132.9	134.0
1968-69p—											
July	88.2	128.0	20,746	10,215	4,921	84.5	24.8	21.3	13.3	143.9	138.5
August	127.3	133.9	36,015	15,379	7,839	77.7	24.4	23.1	12.7	137.8	141.0
September	161.1	129.0	49,679	19,273	10,412	77.0	23.9	26.7	13.5	141.2	150.4
October	185.8	123.3	59,184	21,940	11,785	77.3	28.8	35.8	13.9	155.8	146.5
November	179.3	122.4	57,328	20,349	11,133	69.2	30.5	31.4	13.4	144.5	145.1
December	170.5	123.1	54,005	18,661	11,066	60.1	29.5	27.7	13.6	130.9	139.0
January	149.5	120.9	46,412	15,187	9,339	63.8	31.3	24.9	12.5	132.5	139.9
February	113.3	119.7	32,484	10,064	7,048	67.1	33.3	21.4	12.4	134.2	140.8
March	110.7	137.2	30,341	10,114	7,004	76.9	34.3	21.7	13.8	146.8	143.7

(a) Includes the butter equivalent of butter oil production. Source: From July 1966, Commonwealth Dairy Produce Equalisation Committee Ltd and State Departments of agriculture. (b) From July 1966, as reported by Commonwealth Dairy Produce Equalisation Committee Ltd and by producers not within the equalisation scheme. (c) Whole milk equivalent.

PRODUCTION OF FLOUR, SUGAR, BEER, TOBACCO AND CHEMICALS

Period	Wheaten flour	Refined sugar (a)	Beer	Tobacco, cigars and cigar-ettes	Chemicals and allied products					
					Sulphuric acid (100%)	Super-phosphate (b)	Sulphate of ammonia (c)	Paints		Soap
								Ready-mixed paints and enamels	Lacquers, nitro-cellulose	
	'000 short tons	'000 tons	'000 gal (d)	'000 lb (e)	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 gal	'000 gal	'000 cwt
Monthly average										
1958-59	114	43.2	18,633	4,371	82	177	9.79	951	133	104
1959-60	126	45.0	19,306	4,563	89	198	8.74	1,066	150	105
1960-61	130	43.7	19,701	4,853	94	211	8.25	1,053	114	104
1961-62	125	46.1	20,136	4,659	95	216	8.66	1,108	109	98
1962-63	122	47.0	20,788	4,742	105	239	7.79	1,154	120	101
1963-64	139	48.0	21,862	4,674	121	279	7.13	1,291	127	102
1964-65	129	49.4	22,908	4,878	136	309	9.10	1,356	130	96
1965-66	117	50.8	24,110	4,688	148	349	9.18	1,267	120	97
1966-67	115	51.1	25,287	4,845	166	383	8.80	1,337	119	94
1967-68p	118	51.2	26,417	4,915	158	358	5.86	1,374	118	77
Monthly total										
1966-67—										
February	114	47.8	24,761	4,765	164	388	8.16	1,356	120	102
March	133	52.5	27,238	5,151	195	451	10.29	1,391	124	105
April	130	51.9	22,794	4,716	178	411	7.73	1,316	112	105
May	123	50.3	25,065	4,726	172	389	8.09	1,461	135	102
June	113	45.7	21,699	5,483	152	422	7.00	1,293	119	94
1967-68p—										
July	113	49.0	20,904	5,162	138	262	8.65	1,280	108	95
August	121	50.8	25,526	5,214	157	342	6.44	1,459	117	78
September	114	50.5	25,047	4,699	174	386	6.34	1,413	117	65
October	123	54.6	28,039	5,763	161	361	5.35	1,524	128	72
November	138	55.5	28,903	5,043	154	350	5.01	1,688	144	76
December	116	49.4	32,092	3,931	162	364	4.62	1,299	98	85
January	106	49.4	28,920	3,446	164	437	4.53	995	71	58
February	101	52.1	28,809	4,979	165	415	4.17	1,345	125	68
March	115	59.0	28,695	5,365	156	348	9.76	1,443	136	86
April	114	50.9	26,157	5,249	171	384	4.55	1,320	120	76
May	136	50.4	25,150	4,981	165	390	4.97	1,521	136	83
June	122	42.6	18,851	5,152	126	256	5.98	1,197	120	81
1968-69p—										
July	133	50.6	23,013	6,028	119	244	5.30	1,401	125	74
August	120	55.6	22,680	5,519	150	345	9.04	1,360	121	71
September	111	56.7	25,829	4,805	174	368	9.13	1,388	120	74
October	123	57.0	31,338	6,131	165	351	8.36	1,630	145	77
November	129	61.3	30,787	5,600	140	298	9.32	1,648	148	74
December	95	52.5	30,744	3,866	164	338	11.61	1,369	112	58
January	95	51.5	28,868	4,231	157	310	9.81	1,006	79	55
February	103	55.3	27,576	5,238	166	374	6.65	1,389	130	71
March	117	54.3	27,835	5,172	178	371	7.66	1,490	141	77
April			26,272	5,142	168	368	9.34			

(a) Production in July 1966, and later months is as reported by the Department of Primary Industry. (b) Source: Department of Primary Industry. As from June 1964 includes double and triple superphosphate and ammonium phosphate expressed in terms of single superphosphate, i.e., 22% P₂O₅ equivalent. (c) Source: Nitrogen Fertilisers Pty Ltd from July 1962 to June 1968. (d) Production is as reported by the Department of Customs and Excise and includes waste beer. (e) Source: Department of Customs and Excise. (f) From July 1968, figures collected by Commonwealth Bureau of Census and Statistics, exclude waste beer.

2.1 PRODUCTION OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND TYRES; WOOL; YARNS

Trucks	Motor vehicles(a)				Pneumatic tyres— motor cycle, car, truck, aero., etc. (b)	Wool received into brokers' stores		Wool prices index Sydney (d)	Scoured and carbon- ised wool	Yarn(e)	
	Cars and station wagons	Utilities	Panel vans	Trucks and truck- type vehicles		Original (c)	Season- ally adjusted			Cotton	Wool
	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000	'000 bales	'000 bales	cents per lb	mill. lb	'000 lb	'000 lb
Monthly average											
1958-59	14,820	2,767	n.a.	n.a.	328	395	..	39.6	13.4	3,544	3,381
1959-60	19,197	2,573			352	411	..	46.9	15.0	3,868	4,213
1960-61	19,018	2,444			360	393	..	42.9	13.2	3,574	4,090
1961-62	16,890	2,054			333	400	..	45.1	14.0	3,612	3,811
1962-63	24,960	2,321	1,011	2,076	418	391	..	48.6	14.3	3,890	4,280
1963-64	26,778	2,530			425	416	..	56.7	13.4	4,616	4,350
1964-65	27,872	2,259			460	424	..	48.0	13.2	4,931	4,527
1965-66	24,477	2,858			462	376	..	50.3	13.1	4,910	4,351
1966-67	24,688	2,929	1,179	1,878	483	401	..	48.6	12.8	5,054	4,283
1967-68p	27,510	2,716	1,219	1,848	565	403	..	44.7	13.4	5,042	4,488
Monthly total											
1966-67—											
February	27,252	3,963	1,178	2,039	477	278	439	48	14.0	4,791	4,378
March	28,752	3,445	1,591	2,177	494	361	420	47	14.2	5,332	4,278
April	26,315	3,043	1,417	2,004	499	299	427	47	13.9	5,032	4,468
May	31,460	3,619	1,593	2,324	611	240	404	48	15.4	6,200	4,857
June	26,755	3,190	1,376	2,066	584	160	381	47	13.7	5,892	4,804
1967-68p—											
July	26,474	3,200	1,203	1,909	591	283	399	46	12.9	4,952	4,497
August	28,043	3,512	1,442	1,758	566	543	406	43	12.3	5,907	5,236
September	24,805	2,828	1,500	1,879	581	736	393	43	11.2	5,838	4,636
October	30,010	2,967	1,525	2,291	617	790	405	43	13.4	5,615	5,269
November	30,928	3,219	1,790	2,110	637	668	404	43	14.7	5,372	5,289
December	19,239	2,362	1,114	1,563	494	324	402	44	11.1	4,214	3,730
January	13,441	849	386	939	240	179	396	44	11.3	2,436	2,797
February	33,235	1,082	882	2,107	575	298	431	46	14.4	5,956	4,583
March	35,461	1,593	919	1,973	609	347	406	46	14.8	5,370	4,442
April	30,314	3,239	1,311	1,709	561	287	415	46	13.2	4,728	4,393
May	32,206	4,117	1,446	1,994	710	198	340	46	15.3	5,788	4,750
June	25,969	3,629	1,114	2,039	600	188	452	46	16.9	5,333	4,229
1968-69p—											
July	31,162	4,116	1,628	2,087	683	270	380	45	14.1	5,480	4,818
August	30,443	3,140	1,913	2,172	660	503	388	45	12.4	5,585	4,534
September	29,900	3,754	1,369	2,207	679	762	402	46	12.2	5,524	4,531
October	32,390	3,599	1,575	2,177	675	781	388	48	14.2	5,672	5,308
November	29,674	3,307	1,342	2,090	645	722	456	49	13.3	5,507	4,774
December	21,237	2,311	984	1,769	516	398	471	47	11.2	3,885	3,737
January	14,994	1,638	699	1,196	355	237	532	47	10.6	2,900	2,848
February	27,219	3,015	1,381	2,198	636	316	482	p47	13.6	4,563	4,839
March	31,057	2,601	1,305	2,521	617	405	456	p46	15.0	5,176	4,591
April	29,477			2,196		328	480	p46		5,048	4,714

(a) Finished and partly finished motor vehicles. (b) Source: Department of Supply. (c) First hand receipts as recorded by the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers. (d) Average price which a New South Wales clip of constant average quality would realise if sold at the level of prices obtaining in the specified month. Annual prices are averages of monthly prices weighted by quantity of greasy wool sold in month in New South Wales. (e) Includes mixtures predominantly of the fibre named. (f) Prior to July 1963 the series represent the production of bodies assembled from local and imported panels.

PRODUCTION OF TEXTILES AND CLOTHING

Period	Woven cloth(a) (b)						Blankets	Hosiery		Mens and youths'—		
	Cotton(c)		Wool(d)		Cellu- losic fibre	Syn- thetic fibre		Men's	Women's full length	Short length coats and jackets (e)		Sports trou- sers
	Original	Season- ally ad- justed	Original	Season- ally ad- justed						Suit	Other	
	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000	'000 doz pairs	'000 doz pairs	'000	'000	'000
Monthly average												
1958-59	3,524	..	2,272	..	1,476	516	142	109	205	60.7	62.2	226
1959-60	3,594	..	2,520	..	1,484	611	161	130	212	64.7	75.7	272
1960-61	3,641	..	2,205	..	1,729	837	159	113	218	66.8	70.2	303
1961-62	3,802	..	2,079	..	1,713	1,136	141	118	235	68.7	68.9	309
1962-63	3,924	..	2,352	..	1,990	1,528	154	137	285	75.7	59.6	342
1963-64	4,446	..	1,976	..	2,233	1,660	181	136	316	78.1	60.3	338
1964-65	4,692	..	2,048	..	2,666	1,823	173	142	352	84.2	61.5	357
1965-66	4,658	..	1,944	..	2,747	1,747	142	141	359	83.8	67.4	355
1966-67	4,775	..	1,752	..	2,964	1,957	144	151	401	81.1	77.4	356
1967-68p	4,905	..	1,925	..	3,060	2,358	138	159	430	79.2	70.0	335
Monthly total												
1966-67—												
March	4,968	4,748	1,970	1,779	3,085	2,047	153	149	433	79.8	111.0	402
April	4,839	4,820	1,780	1,820	3,047	2,044	159	143	412	74.1	96.4	356
May	5,587	5,067	1,932	1,808	3,291	2,401	196	178	483	84.8	104.4	386
June	5,375	4,843	1,605	1,769	3,813	2,489	169	163	452	82.0	83.5	337
1967-68p—									(f)			
July	4,835	4,753	1,591	1,787	3,245	2,143	206	166	r463	75.5	63.9	310
August	5,553	4,817	1,981	1,963	2,549	156	187	488	r495	95.8	65.2	360
September	5,830	4,949	1,910	1,899	3,507	2,563	144	176	r474	89.5	61.8	351
October	5,334	5,026	2,238	1,937	3,186	2,458	143	175	r509	89.4	68.3	339
November	5,251	4,995	2,398	1,968	3,114	2,401	133	185	r499	96.7	66.4	376
December	4,247	5,119	1,724	1,938	2,465	1,837	85	124	r323	73.0	46.4	263
January	2,173	4,892	1,284	1,874	1,459	1,146	68	91	r290	38.5	34.2	181
February	4,936	4,966	2,240	1,972	2,859	2,256	121	149	r467	75.0	83.4	349
March	5,434	4,885	2,147	1,921	3,351	2,589	134	154	r482	78.6	99.5	395
April	4,611	4,775	1,837	1,942	2,824	2,307	135	154	r451	75.9	82.5	376
May	5,551	4,899	2,033	1,933	3,699	3,080	181	180	r524	84.8	89.4	413
June	5,101	4,714	1,716	1,984	3,488	2,969	151	161	r451	78.3	79.1	313
1968-69p—												
July	5,225	5,141	1,957	1,995	3,143	3,939	172	197	541	80.6	r77.8	342
August	6,054	4,987	1,817	1,942	3,518	2,976	146	r191	r522	87.0	65.5	348
September	5,074	4,745	1,961	1,961	3,550	2,866	137	189	r523	86.3	r62.0	338
October	5,158	4,784	2,448	1,992	3,327	2,826	147	195	r569	93.5	r64.7	402
November	5,266	4,645	2,241	1,944	3,283	2,685	125	180	r561	97.7	r60.7	375
December	3,794	4,799	1,911	2,058	2,427	2,185	85	119	358	79.6	r52.0	316
January	2,492	5,490	1,449	2,181	1,715	1,467	69	79	283	39.3	r43.4	216
February	4,693	4,864	2,223	2,028	2,797	2,432	115	151	521	77.3	r89.5	410
March	r4,905	r4,631	r2,088	r1,874	r3,063	r2,692	133	149	471	83.8	97.4	426
April	4,455	4,612	2,011	2,050	2,775	2,552						

(a) Includes mixtures predominantly of the fibre named. (b) Over 12 inches wide. (c) Excludes towels and towelling. (d) Excludes blanketing and rug material. (e) Excludes plastic coats and dust coats. (f) From July 1967 includes panty hose.

PRODUCTION OF CLOTHING AND MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS

Period	Shirts, men's and boys'	Underwear		Boots, shoes and sandals (not rubber)		Mat- tresses, inner spring	Lawn mowers, petrol (rotary)	Motor spirit (a)	Plastics and syn- thetic resins (b)	News- print
		Men's and boys'	Women's and girls'							
				Original	Seasonally adjusted					
	'000 doz	'000 doz	'000 doz	'000 pairs	'000 pairs	'000	No.	Million gal	'000 cwt	Tons
Monthly average										
1958-59	135	154	248	2,005	..	48.4	20,329	78	73	6,923
1959-60	153	157	265	2,136	..	51.6	20,240	88	99	7,376
1960-61	152	160	281	2,026	..	49.5	16,335	96	89	7,336
1961-62	135	170	278	2,122	..	52.9	16,726	101	112	7,480
1962-63	160	178	297	2,228	..	53.7	18,098	105	143	7,520
1963-64	164	174	313	2,353	..	57.4	16,600	113	161	7,670
1964-65	179	191	312	2,381	..	60.6	16,762	124	196	7,762
1965-66	189	188	319	2,317	..	58.7	14,700	127	198	7,768
1966-67	184	188	308	(c)3,097	..	56.7	18,319	147	237	8,105
1967-68p	181	199	333	r3,137		54.1	15,271	158	280	7,721
Monthly total										
1966-67—										
February	158	173	304	2,933	3,122	55.6	16,751	138	217	7,864
March	178	191	316	3,231	3,139	59.8	14,461	156	249	8,532
April	166	169	297	3,156	3,229	53.1	9,368	156	251	8,316
May	201	219	340	3,586	3,263	57.9	5,674	140	271	8,619
June	194	189	314	3,149	3,262	53.3	5,121	141	258	7,952
1967-68p—										
July	197	183	326	3,312	3,196	55.6	r15,893	150	285	8,062
August	222	231	362	3,880	3,212	62.3	25,359	157	295	8,016
September	208	220	329	3,652	3,228	54.7	29,445	159	274	8,061
October	217	234	367	3,682	3,170	56.7	r31,061	163	272	8,314
November	238	252	424	3,886	3,307	58.5	25,075	151	280	7,805
December	154	181	304	2,466	3,230	55.4	9,599	165	271	6,099
January	82	104	186	1,714	3,164	40.6	7,837	177	253	6,757
February	167	197	327	3,012	3,085	55.5	16,029	154	268	7,663
March	160	194	328	3,077	3,057	56.1	9,594	156	280	8,226
April	149	188	329	2,945	3,019	50.0	7,533	149	297	7,985
May	197	224	376	3,332	3,025	57.2	5,474	169	302	7,967
June	183	180	333	2,680	2,969	46.4	1,962	146	283	7,692
1968-69p—										
July	214	223	389	r3,517	r3,096	56.7	6,634	162	315	7,670
August	220	203	358	r3,528	r3,119	56.5	27,109	171	325	8,182
September	215	200	385	3,699	3,260	54.5	31,971	157	300	8,014
October	245	230	420	r4,030	r3,258	62.1	32,664	181	298	8,394
November	228	226	445	3,532	3,210	56.3	22,827	155	311	7,532
December	160	169	335	2,425	3,053	58.3	15,190	183	343	5,869
January	97	102	213	1,735	3,222	40.6	15,138	165	293	10,490
February	176	200	383	3,005	3,217	53.0	16,309	162	313	11,353
March	183	194	369	3,171	3,143	55.7	15,724	174	365	13,725
April							12,042			

(a) Source: Department of National Development.

(b) Liquid resins or emulsion forms are shown in terms of dry weight of resin content.

(c) From July 1966, includes all footwear of cemented, vulcanised-moulded rubber and injection-moulded plastic soled construction.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES: VARIOUS COUNTRIES

(Source: *Monthly Bulletin of Statistics* of the Statistical Office of the United Nations)

Unless otherwise stated, the indexes shown below include mining, manufacturing, electricity and manufactured gas but exclude construction. When the indexes are adjusted for differences in the number of working days per month or for seasonal variations they are footnoted accordingly. A short dash on each side of an index number (e.g., -119-) indicates that two series have been linked at that period.

(Base of each index: Year 1963=100)

Period	Belgium	Canada (a)	France (a)	Germany West (a)	Italy	Japan	Nether- lands	Norway (a)	Sweden (a)	United King- dom (a) (b)	U.S.A. (a)
1961	88	86	90	93	84	83	90	91	89	96	88
1962	93	94	95	-97-	92	90	95	95	94	97	95
1963	100	100	100	100	100	-100-	-100-	100	100	100	100
1964	107	110	107	108	102	116	110	109	110	108	106
1965	109	119	109	114	107	120	116	115	119	111	115
1966	111	128	116	116	-119-	136	123	122	123	112	126
1967	112	130	120	114	128	162	129	127	126	112	127
1968	120	137	122	127	136	190	143	132	134	117	133
1966— December	118	128	128	114	125	154	131	122	129	111	126
1967—											
January	111	126	123	104	123	142	126	128	129	110	126
February	109	129	123	108	122	149	117	136	131	115	126
March	118	128	125	111	136	165	131	117	132	113	126
April	114	132	123	115	130	153	124	135	135	115	127
May	108	131	122	114	134	155	125	118	135	113	126
June	119	134	127	113	132	162	133	138	133	114	128
July	83	121	109	108	134	162	107	76	55	104	121
August	108	128	75	99	95	159	130	130	122	97	127
September	124	133	121	118	135	170	130	136	135	113	130
October	122	133	127	121	139	171	143	141	136	116	130
November	120	136	131	127	134	174	146	146	140	119	130
December	116	132	131	128	125	182	133	127	137	116	129
1968—											
January	116	129	127	110	128	166	138	131	133	113	128
February	116	133	131	116	133	178	135	140	134	119	131
March	123	133	134	122	139	191	140	142	138	123	132
April	120	135	134	126	136	181	139	122	141	114	131
May	121	139	93	127	143	184	146	132	140	120	133
June	118	142	108	137	134	189	132	138	140	118	136
July	98	127	116	116	145	192	125	86	60	108	129
August	114	131	81	118	100	185	140	133	132	105	131
September	127	141	129	134	143	197	142	141	143	118	136
October	138	144	141	135	154	201	164	148	147	123	137
November	125	146	144	150	138	206	159	147	150	126	136
December	124	140	148	141	138	211	158	129	149	119	134
1969—											
January		138	143	132	141	192	154	135		118	134

(a) Adjusted for number of working days.

(b) Includes construction.

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES(a)

Period	Cars and station wagons		Utilities, panel vans, trucks(b), omnibuses, ambulances, hearses		Total (excluding motor cycles)		Motor cycles	Total motor vehicles
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted		
Monthly average								
1958-59	14,692	..	5,528	..	20,220	..	837	21,056
1959-60	18,681	..	5,757	..	24,438	..	807	25,246
1960-61	18,594	..	4,931	..	23,526	..	655	24,181
1961-62	18,012	..	4,345	..	22,356	..	593	22,949
1962-63	23,745	..	5,007	..	28,752	..	452	29,204
1963-64	27,444	..	5,901	..	33,344	..	456	33,801
1964-65	28,962	..	6,123	..	35,085	..	624	35,709
1965-66	25,671	..	6,312	..	31,983	..	724	32,706
1966-67	26,181	..	6,330	..	32,511	..	1,100	33,611
1967-68	30,563	..	6,371	..	36,934	..	1,745	38,679
Monthly total								
1966-67—								
March	27,696	26,496	6,642	6,988	34,338	33,691	1,530	35,868
April	25,975	25,871	6,563	6,987	32,538	32,883	1,336	33,874
May	29,144	26,297	7,582	6,611	36,726	32,639	1,552	38,278
June	27,529	27,648	6,758	6,299	34,287	34,098	1,130	35,417
1967-68—								
July	27,331	27,758	6,765	6,368	34,096	34,049	1,262	35,358
August	30,210	28,084	7,023	6,470	37,233	34,711	1,283	38,516
September	28,553	29,760	6,343	6,281	34,896	36,172	1,373	36,269
October	31,442	30,509	6,882	6,578	38,324	36,920	1,764	40,088
November	32,476	30,669	7,056	6,237	39,532	36,702	1,813	41,345
December	29,635	30,175	5,618	6,288	35,253	36,596	1,625	36,878
January	25,675	29,982	5,379	6,792	31,054	36,751	1,744	32,798
February	29,703	31,236	5,847	6,410	35,550	37,650	2,493	38,043
March	31,643	30,959	5,453	5,538	37,096	36,750	2,333	39,429
April	31,700	31,657	5,401	5,972	37,101	37,507	1,923	39,024
May	36,823	32,560	7,475	6,537	44,298	38,838	1,977	46,275
June	31,567	33,621	7,217	7,299	38,784	41,316	1,346	40,130
1968-69—								
July	31,825	30,171	8,141	6,982	39,966	37,229	1,688	41,654
August	28,235	27,727	7,309	7,090	35,544	34,790	1,633	37,177
September	27,243	28,961	6,829	6,855	34,072	35,760	1,789	35,861
October	32,772	29,818	7,857	7,104	40,629	37,122	1,999	42,628
November	30,870	30,488	7,532	7,003	38,402	37,218	2,014	40,416
December	30,780	30,817	6,425	6,899	37,205	37,531	1,948	39,153
January	27,506	31,611	5,594	7,063	33,100	38,774	2,102	35,202
February	30,314	33,420	6,534	7,512	36,848	40,973	2,486	39,334
March	34,530	34,397	7,479	7,547	42,009	42,009	2,646	44,655
April	31,186	30,131	6,724	7,365	37,910	37,684	2,051	39,961

(a) Registrations during period. Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles except those belonging to the defence services. (b) Includes all truck-type vehicles.

RAILWAYS AND SHIPPING

Part of the shipping cargo is recorded in tons weight and part in tons measurement. As the total cannot be stated accurately as either tons weight or tons measurement, each is recorded and published separately; 1 'ton measurement' equals 40 cubic feet.

Period	Government railways				Overseas cargo				Interstate cargo shipped	
	Goods and livestock		Pas-senger-journeys	Gross earnings	Shipped from Australian ports		Discharged at Australian ports		Tons weight	Tons measurement
	Tons carried	Net ton-miles			Tons weight	Tons measurement	Tons weight	Tons measurement		
	'000	Million	Million	\$ million	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
Monthly average										
1957-58	3,771	567.4	41.2	29.7	614	124	1,143	243	1,051	96
1958-59	4,003	610.0	40.4	30.7	720	122	1,186	222	1,030	88
1959-60	4,264	667.1	39.9	32.4	843	123	1,288	272	1,076	113
1960-61	4,614	732.3	38.6	34.7	1,146	129	1,439	317	1,143	123
1961-62	4,630	735.2	38.5	34.6	1,443	128	1,459	230	1,138	99
1962-63	4,659	771.1	38.7	35.4	1,280	129	1,625	283	1,195	92
1963-64	5,145	875.0	39.2	38.7	1,645	155	1,731	329	1,303	101
1964-65	5,404	928.7	38.7	40.3	1,702	165	1,934	370	1,342	117
1965-66	5,362	917.6	38.3	39.6	1,812	170	2,013	343	1,348	124
1966-67	5,707	959.7	37.9	42.5	2,724	162	2,259	346	1,307	148
1967-68	5,930	1,022.9	37.7	43.9	3,445	175	2,297	390	1,434	156
Monthly total										
1966-67—										
November	5,713	924.2	35.3	41.8	2,541	139	2,187	371	1,263	153
December	5,483	932.3	33.3	42.0	2,695	150	2,291	308	1,262	139
January	4,972	860.2	36.6	40.4	2,962	96	2,444	330	1,215	117
February	5,900	1,042.8	40.8	44.6	2,824	113	2,186	300	1,184	159
March	5,688	986.9	35.7	43.4	3,054	209	2,250	352	1,341	160
April	5,621	983.7	35.5	42.8	3,122	222	2,294	350	1,270	149
May	6,416	1,116.0	43.7	48.1	3,143	264	2,251	367	1,400	155
June	5,798	1,015.0	34.7	45.1	3,010	165	2,151	397	1,282	140
1967-68—										
July	5,956	998.3	42.2	43.9	3,429	177	1,898	368	1,486	142
August	6,499	1,089.2	35.3	47.4	3,378	138	2,679	422	1,317	148
September	6,342	1,076.8	40.9	46.6	3,462	177	2,101	392	1,435	154
October	6,420	1,083.7	38.0	46.9	3,811	144	2,524	398	1,487	164
November	6,441	1,098.3	34.5	46.3	3,432	147	2,255	338	1,412	149
December	5,246	922.4	32.9	40.3	3,295	158	2,553	325	1,406	150
January	4,714	838.8	36.1	38.7	3,352	91	2,282	433	1,470	129
February	5,850	1,005.4	41.5	42.0	3,169	150	1,951	342	1,353	156
March	5,997	1,198.1	37.9	43.5	3,430	189	2,350	404	1,282	171
April	5,574	1,005.4	36.9	42.4	3,423	250	2,291	422	1,369	179
May	6,218	1,079.2	41.3	45.0	3,953	310	2,365	431	1,595	177
June	5,906	997.4	35.6	44.0	3,205	172	2,323	408	1,595	156
1968-69p—										
July	6,806	1,117.4	42.3	47.1	4,034	183	2,547	491	1,545	160
August	6,422	1,083.0	36.7	45.9	4,066	161	2,492	469	1,561	139
September	6,416	1,105.8	43.8	46.3	4,271	148	2,526	514	1,492	160
October	6,575	1,112.2	34.1	46.0	4,238	152	2,455	451	1,649	182
November	6,586	1,102.5	34.7	44.9	4,362	145	2,202	478	1,708	170
December	5,860	1,019.0	34.5	45.2	4,750	158	2,568	406	1,617	159

COMMUNICATION

POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S RECEIPTS, TELEPHONE SERVICES AND BROADCAST AND TELEVISION LICENCES

Period	Receipts of P.M.G.'s Department (a)	Telephone subscribers' services			Licences for broadcast and television receivers(b)				
		Effective applications during period(c)	Services connected during period	Services in operation at end of period	New issues of Licences(d)			Licences in force at end of period	
					Broadcast	Television	Combined	Broadcast (including combined licences)	Television (including combined licences)
	\$ million (e)	'000 (e)	'000 (e)	'000 (e)	'000 (e)	'000 (e)	'000 (e)	'000	'000
1958-59	17.2	13.4	13.8	(f) 1,443	21.0	24.8	..	2,264	578
1959-60	20.3	14.1	13.9	(f) 1,514	13.3	33.6	..	2,283	955
1960-61	22.7	14.1	15.1	1,631	12.9	26.9	..	2,256	1,217
1961-62	23.3	17.1	17.4	1,718	10.8	(g) 24.0	..	2,220	1,424
1962-63	25.1	22.5	22.1	1,812	14.5	24.4	..	2,240	1,655
1963-64	27.6	26.5	24.8	1,919	15.5	22.5	..	2,302	1,882
1964-65	31.1	23.9	25.4	2,010	(b) 14.1	(b) 19.5	(b) 19.4	2,358	2,045
1965-66	33.5	25.2	26.7	2,120	6.4	5.1	16.8	2,526	2,226
1966-67	35.9	27.7	28.2	2,235	6.0	5.0	17.5	2,538	2,405
1967-68p	40.6	30.0	29.9	2,359	6.0	4.7	18.2	2,580	2,519
	(h)	(h)	(h)		(h)	(h)	(h)		
1966-67—									
February	36.0	29.6	26.5	2,193	7.5	6.1	20.8	2,539	2,340
March	38.1	25.5	25.5	2,202	7.6	6.5	21.7	2,532	2,363
April	34.1	31.9	32.4	2,214	5.5	4.5	15.6	2,531	2,367
May	38.3	27.6	29.7	2,224	5.9	5.5	18.1	2,528	2,378
June	40.5	31.0	33.4	2,235	5.6	4.9	18.8	2,538	2,405
1967-68p—									
July	36.2	28.0	28.8	2,245	5.6	4.8	18.4	2,544	2,410
August	38.5	28.7	29.1	2,255	6.0	5.5	19.9	2,549	2,432
September	34.6	31.2	31.2	2,267	5.0	4.6	16.8	2,536	2,436
October	40.6	27.7	29.2	2,277	5.0	4.7	16.9	2,548	2,445
November	41.3	28.7	28.9	2,287	5.0	4.0	16.1	2,552	2,454
December	36.8	26.2	28.7	2,298	4.9	3.7	13.9	2,558	2,430
January	31.5	27.3	24.6	2,304	4.2	3.0	13.4	2,541	2,439
February	41.0	34.7	31.7	2,315	11.3	7.3	29.5	2,593	2,490
March	42.2	32.4	31.2	2,326	8.9	5.9	22.9	2,591	2,501
April	42.0	27.9	27.8	2,337	5.2	3.9	15.1	2,593	2,514
May	52.1	33.1	33.3	2,347	5.8	4.6	18.8	2,601	2,522
June	49.8	33.6	34.6	2,359	4.9	4.3	16.9	2,580	2,519
1968-69p—									
July		31.5	31.2	2,371	5.4	4.8	19.1	2,605	2,559
August		37.0	35.8	2,385	6.4	5.2	21.4	2,603	2,565
September		33.0	33.9	2,398	6.6	7.3	19.3	2,610	2,568
October		31.8	31.4	2,411	5.2		16.8	2,606	2,568
November		33.8	33.4	2,423	4.7		14.3	2,607	2,577
December		25.8	29.8	2,434	3.8		11.8	2,625	2,577
January		33.2	31.1	2,443	3.9		12.0	2,637	2,594
February		39.2	35.4	2,454	5.2		15.3	2,594	2,559
March		35.1	33.3	2,468	5.8		16.4	2,600	2,575

(a) Actual collections. (b) Combined broadcast listeners' and television viewers' licences commenced 1 April 1965 and are issued to persons owning both television and broadcast receivers at the same address. New issues of combined licences may include renewal licences of either type. (c) Demand for telephone services, allowing for applications withdrawn during period. (d) Includes new issues to persons whose previous licence had expired; these may increase significantly in certain months due to special licence inspection campaigns of the P.M.G.'s Department. (e) Monthly average. (f) Exchange lines only. (g) From March 1962, excludes short-term hirers' licences which were previously included. (h) Monthly total.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

(\$ million)

CURRENT ACCOUNT(a)

Period	Exports f.o.b. (b)	Imports f.o.b. (b)	Balance of trade	Invisible credits				Invisible debits				Balance on current account
				Trans- portation and travel	Property income	Trans- fers	Other	Trans- portation and travel	Property income	Trans- fers	Other	
Quarterly average												
1963-64	682	559	123	74	24	26	34	130	98	37	28	- 12
1964-65	644	685	- 41	83	30	29	35	151	101	43	35	-194
1965-66	657	706	- 49	88	28	31	39	161	108	50	40	-222
1966-67	731	709	22	96	31	33	40	170	114	57	45	-164
1967-68	735	790	- 55	112	32	39	41	194	149	60	48	-282
Quarterly total												
1965-66—												
June	695	638	57	87	29	33	39	177	107	59	42	-140
1966-67—												
September	692	700	- 8	89	34	34	40	157	112	49	41	-170
December	704	666	38	89	27	32	38	164	107	57	42	-146
March	740	734	6	103	35	31	40	172	110	63	42	-172
June	790	737	53	101	26	37	44	188	125	61	53	-166
1967-68—												
September	715	770	- 55	104	30	36	39	182	126	64	42	-260
December	759	741	18	111	26	38	35	190	163	65	48	-238
March	693	834	-141	117	34	45	47	202	137	55	52	-344
June	774	814	- 40	116	37	35	45	200	171	57	50	-285
1968-69—												
September p	742	840	- 98	119	37	42	38	207	162	58	45	-334
December p	829	804	25	126	29	42	39	196	177	69	47	-228
March p	798	754	44	127	40	38	43	204	155	53	58	-178

CAPITAL ITEMS(a)

Period	Government		Private		Non- official monetary trans- actions	Balancing item	Net apparent capital inflow	Official monetary movements			
	Securities	Other	Marketing author- ities	Other				Change in net I.M.F. position	Change in inter- national reserves	Other	Net official monetary move- ments
Quarterly average											
1963-64	5	- 16	8	109	1	17	124	..	112	..	112
1964-65	- 6	- 6	- 15	140	4	3	120	6	- 80	..	-74
1965-66	- 7	10	8	162	3	61	237	10	5	..	15
1966-67	6	- 13	- 19	118	3	39	134	6	- 44	8	-30
1967-68	37	- 15	8	208	12	51	301	18	1	..	19
Quarterly total											
1965-66—											
June	- 11	- 28	14	239	5	51	270	9	121	..	130
1966-67—											
September	- 69	- 2	18	98	4	61	110	..	- 89	29	- 60
December	19	- 32	- 5	102	4	20	108	..	- 38	..	- 38
March	27	15	- 46	102	3	18	119	19	- 73	1	- 53
June	45	- 33	- 41	167	2	57	197	7	23	1	31
1967-68—											
September	15	- 55	31	156	6	49	202	- 3	- 55	..	- 58
December	66	47	- 7	174	12	16	308	8	(c) 62	..	70
March	13	- 10	14	188	5	171	381	12	25	..	37
June	55	- 42	- 5	313	23	- 30	314	54	- 25	..	29
1968-69—											
September p	85	- 42	13	152	- 4	71	275	2	- 56	- 5	- 59
December p	- 1	- 1	13	183	5	109	308	- 23	107	- 4	80
March p	72	- 7	8	(d) *	6	(e) 227	306	- 18	146	..	128

(a) For current account balances, minus sign (-) denotes deficit; for capital items other than official monetary movements, minus sign (-) denotes outflow; for official monetary movements, minus sign (-) denotes decrease in international reserves or net I.M.F. position or an increase in net liabilities of the Reserve Bank to foreign central banks. (b) The amounts shown represent the recorded trade figures adjusted for balance of payments purposes. Adjustments affect both coverage and valuation. (c) Excludes reduction of \$113 million in the Australian dollar equivalent during November due to the devaluation of the pound sterling and a number of other currencies held as part of Australia's international reserves. (d) Not yet available; included in the balancing item. (e) Includes item marked (*).

Note. For more detailed information see the half-yearly mimeographed bulletin *Balance of Payments*.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS(a)

(\$ million)

GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT, TURNOVER AND EXPENDITURE

Period	Gross national product at factor cost			Gross national product at market prices				plus imports of goods and services	National turnover of goods and services	less exports of goods and services	Gross national expenditure
	Farm	Non-farm	Total	Components			Total				
				Wages salaries and supplements	Gross operating surplus of trading enterprises	Indirect taxes less subsidies					
ORIGINAL											
Quarterly average											
1963-64	538	3,504	4,042	2,199	1,843	458	4,500	717	5,217	791	4,426
1964-65	518	3,928	4,446	2,454	1,991	516	4,961	870	5,831	762	5,069
1965-66	460	4,186	4,646	2,646	2,000	559	5,205	906	6,111	784	5,327
1966-67	553	4,536	5,089	2,878	2,211	595	5,684	924	6,608	867	5,741
1967-68	437	4,947	5,384	3,123	2,261	654	6,038	1,031	7,069	889	6,180
Quarterly total											
1966-67—											
September	435	4,449	4,884	2,817	2,067	558	5,442	898	6,340	821	5,519
December	913	4,766	5,679	2,968	2,711	579	6,258	872	7,130	831	6,299
March	661	4,317	4,978	2,771	2,207	607	5,585	948	6,533	883	5,650
June	203	4,612	4,815	2,956	1,859	638	5,453	978	6,431	935	5,496
1967-68—											
September	373	4,824	5,197	3,032	2,165	602	5,799	994	6,793	858	5,935
December	866	5,220	6,086	3,241	2,845	638	6,724	979	7,703	905	6,798
March	345	4,705	5,050	3,010	2,040	666	5,716	1,088	6,804	857	5,947
June	163	5,038	5,201	3,209	1,992	710	5,911	1,064	6,975	935	6,040
1968-69—											
September	438	5,272	5,710	3,283	2,427	658	6,368	1,092	7,460	899	6,561
December	1,044	5,788	6,832	3,617	3,215	727	7,559	1,047	8,606	994	7,612
March	533	5,222	5,755	3,373	2,382	721	6,476	1,016	7,492	968	6,524
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED											
Quarterly total											
1966-67—											
September	467	4,389	4,856	2,800	2,056	581	5,437	881	6,318	858	5,460
December	558	4,487	5,045	2,840	2,205	578	5,623	891	6,514	808	5,706
March	539	4,586	5,125	2,899	2,226	614	5,739	962	6,701	898	5,803
June	538	4,698	5,236	2,986	2,250	608	5,844	964	6,808	907	5,901
1967-68—											
September	514	4,778	5,292	3,026	2,266	626	5,918	973	6,891	895	5,996
December	427	4,918	5,345	3,107	2,238	638	5,983	1,001	6,984	880	6,104
March	444	4,973	5,417	3,122	2,295	673	6,090	1,103	7,193	872	6,321
June	440	5,133	5,573	3,241	2,332	676	6,249	1,050	7,299	907	6,392
1968-69—											
September	468	5,229	5,697	3,283	2,414	685	6,382	1,069	7,451	937	6,514
December	565	5,398	5,963	3,414	2,549	728	6,691	1,072	7,763	968	6,795
March	517	5,593	6,110	3,573	2,537	728	6,838	1,030	7,868	987	6,881

(a) For reference to concepts see *Australian National Accounts National Income and Expenditure 1953-54 to 1966-67*, issued May 1968. For explanatory matter on seasonally adjusted series see the supplement to the December quarter 1967 issue of *Quarterly Estimates of National Income and Expenditure*.

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NATIONAL ACCOUNTS(a)

(\$ million)

COMPONENTS OF GROSS NATIONAL EXPENDITURE

Period	Net current expenditure on goods and services			Gross fixed capital expenditure						Increase in the value of stocks	Statistical discrepancy	Gross national expenditure
	Personal consumption	Financial enterprises	Public authorities	Private				Public enterprises	Public authorities			
				Dwellings	Other new building and construction	All other	Total private					
ORIGINAL												
Quarterly average												
1963-64	2,771	59	444	188	144	392	724	216	186	..	..	4,426
1964-65	2,992	64	510	223	157	462	842	252	210	..	..	5,069
1965-66	3,165	70	596	222	189	499	910	280	230	..	..	5,327
1966-67	3,397	77	672	242	184	506	932	298	244	..	..	5,741
1967-68	3,672	84	758	271	220	521	1,012	332	258	..	..	6,180
Quarterly total												
1966-67—												
September	3,260	73	621	240	184	497	921	279	213	51	101	5,519
December	3,588	77	677	240	191	546	979	285	254	416	23	6,299
March	3,274	76	633	232	165	452	849	285	199	289	45	5,650
June	3,464	82	759	256	196	525	977	342	308	-244	-192	5,496
1967-68—												
September	3,526	84	688	266	219	476	961	311	223	66	76	5,935
December	3,875	81	768	267	248	548	1,063	324	258	440	-11	6,798
March	3,553	82	750	266	188	475	929	293	221	58	61	5,947
June	3,735	88	826	287	224	583	1,094	400	328	-256	-175	6,040
1968-69—												
September	3,733	85	758	305	229	547	1,081	314	238	162	190	6,561
December	4,125	92	862	311	291	616	1,218	345	290	677	3	7,612
March	3,794	91	772	312	217	526	1,055	310	256	175	71	6,524
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
Quarterly total												
1966-67—												
September	3,294	72	654	234	180	516	930	295	243	-28		5,460
December	3,362	77	653	241	175	511	927	287	245	155		5,706
March	3,434	78	679	239	191	501	931	309	233	139		5,803
June	3,494	81	705	254	192	494	940	301	251	129		5,901
1967-68—												
September	3,570	82	721	259	215	494	968	327	254	74		5,996
December	3,638	81	740	268	226	511	1,005	327	248	65		6,104
March	3,711	84	805	275	218	526	1,019	317	259	126		6,321
June	3,768	87	769	285	220	551	1,056	354	268	90		6,392
1968-69—												
September	3,780	83	793	297	225	567	1,089	329	270	170		6,514
December	3,864	92	830	311	265	574	1,150	348	279	232		6,795
March	3,976	93	827	322	252	583	1,157	335	300	193		6,881

(a) For reference to concepts see *Australian National Accounts National Income and Expenditure 1953-54 to 1966-67*, issued May 1968. For explanatory matter on seasonally adjusted series see the supplement to the December quarter 1967 issue of *Quarterly Estimates of National Income and Expenditure*.

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NEW CAPITAL RAISINGS BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA

The following statistics show the net amount of cash transferred from the investing public to companies in Australia through the types of capital specified. For this purpose the 'investing public' includes banks and life insurance companies (except when subscribing to issues by associated companies) and superannuation funds. The statistics do not include changes in bank overdraft, loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market, or deposits accepted by banks, insurance companies, pastoral companies or building societies.

NEW MONEY RAISED BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA (\$ million)

Period	Companies listed on stock exchanges				Companies not listed on stock exchanges			Grand total
	Share capital	Debentures registered notes and deposits	Total		Share capital	Secured loans (a)	Total	
			Original	Seasonally adjusted				
Quarterly average								
1962-63	26.2	57.5	83.7	..	11.4	3.3	14.7	98.4
1963-64	31.6	40.2	71.8	..	12.1	5.7	17.8	89.6
1964-65	36.7	42.2	78.9	..	12.9	6.3	19.2	98.1
1965-66	42.8	37.6	80.4	..	12.7	5.8	18.5	98.9
1966-67	28.0	50.1	78.1	..	10.1	9.1	19.2	97.3
1967-68	30.6	87.2	117.8	..	12.7	4.5	17.2	135.0
Quarterly total								
1965-66—				r				
June	45.8	28.0	73.8	96.0	16.0	8.3	24.3	98.1
1966-67—				r				
September	19.9	95.7	115.6	96.9	8.2	9.0	17.2	132.8
December	46.9	37.1	84.0	63.6	10.9	12.3	23.2	107.2
March	12.8	55.0	67.8	93.9	8.0	7.5	15.5	83.3
June	32.4	12.5	44.9	58.7	13.3	7.6	20.9	65.8
1967-68—				r				
September	15.2	77.5	92.7	77.2	8.8	5.7	14.5	107.2
December	47.0	93.4	140.4	107.9	13.9	4.5	18.4	158.8
March	23.8	92.0	115.8	157.8	10.2	1.7	11.9	127.7
June	36.4	85.8	122.2	159.8	17.9	6.0	23.9	146.1
1968-69—				r				
September	43.3	157.7	201.0	167.2	15.1	8.1	23.2	224.2
December	77.3	117.1	194.4	150.2				

(a) Secured over entire assets of borrowing company.

TOTAL NEW MONEY RAISED BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA BY INDUSTRY GROUPS (a) (b) (\$ million)

Period	Manufacturing			Finance and property			Commerce			Other industries		
	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total
Quarterly average												
1962-63	17.1	3.5	20.6	41.2	4.2	45.4	14.3	2.6	16.9	11.1	3.8	14.9
1963-64	11.2	7.1	18.3	28.0	4.5	32.5	23.0	2.1	25.1	9.6	3.2	12.8
1964-65	26.5	8.0	34.5	33.2	3.3	36.5	6.9	2.6	9.5	12.3	4.5	16.8
1965-66	43.6	6.6	50.2	22.1	3.5	25.6	5.3	2.9	8.2	9.4	4.7	14.1
1966-67	32.4	6.1	38.5	24.9	3.4	28.3	7.8	2.3	10.1	13.0	6.6	19.6
1967-68	26.6	5.1	31.7	67.7	3.6	71.3	3.1	2.4	5.5	20.4	5.2	25.6
Quarterly total												
1965-66—												
June	47.5	8.5	56.0	15.6	4.9	20.5	5.3	3.2	8.5	5.4	6.3	11.7
1966-67—												
September	70.6	6.4	77.0	34.5	3.1	37.6	5.9	1.5	7.4	4.6	5.6	10.2
December	32.7	3.4	36.1	12.9	5.4	18.3	19.8	2.2	22.0	18.6	11.5	30.1
March	17.3	6.3	23.6	36.2	1.8	38.0	7.3	2.5	9.8	7.1	4.3	11.4
June	9.0	8.4	17.4	16.0	3.5	19.5	c-1.7	3.0	1.3	21.5	5.0	26.5
1967-68—												
September	22.1	3.8	25.9	65.3	2.8	68.1	c-4.4	2.2	c-2.2	9.9	5.2	15.1
December	22.9	5.7	28.6	82.4	4.4	86.8	13.4	2.2	15.6	21.7	5.5	27.2
March	38.2	3.0	41.2	47.2	2.1	49.3	6.9	2.1	9.0	23.5	4.0	27.5
June	23.2	8.0	31.2	76.1	5.0	81.1	c-3.6	3.2	c-0.4	26.5	6.1	32.6
1968-69—												
September	38.0	5.5	43.5	100.3	7.6	107.9	34.2	3.3	37.5	28.6	6.0	34.6
December	45.1			91.4			14.5			43.5		

(a) Small share issues of less than \$2,000 each, made by unlisted companies, are not included.

(b) Holding companies are classified according to the predominant activity of the group.

(c) Excess of repayments over receipts of new money.

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RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA

CENTRAL BANKING BUSINESS (INCLUDING NOTE ISSUE DEPARTMENT)

(\$ million)

Period	Notes on issue		Accounts of trading banks				Deposits of savings banks	Other liabilities (excluding capital and re-serves)	Gold and foreign ex- change	Australian Government securities redeemable in Australia		All other assets
	Held by public	Total	Statutory Reserve Deposit	Term Loan Fund	Farm Development Loan Fund (a)	Other deposits of trading banks				Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other	
Average of weekly figures												
1963-64	744.0	876.7	531.4	6.88		14.0	420.3	278.4	1,399.7	232.5	428.7	189.4
1964-65	745.4	887.1	701.6	4.88		13.6	434.4	284.2	1,490.7	193.0	534.4	216.9
1965-66	709.0	871.6	607.8	4.10	13.0	12.9	437.1	274.2	1,207.6	294.9	539.0	286.3
1966-67	752.5	908.8	476.1	42.6	41.7	8.9	455.5	277.9	1,173.8	313.8	439.9	358.5
1967-68	830.1	990.2	479.8	38.4	26.2	8.9	505.1	227.0	1,041.8	187.4	728.4	390.0
1966-67—												
March	773.7	927.7	487.7	45.9	38.5	9.9	483.3	300.2	1,120.9	400.3	301.8	544.9
April	767.0	927.3	491.4	44.7	36.4	10.5	485.3	280.1	1,096.7	288.3	411.5	554.2
May	771.2	937.5	481.9	42.9	34.5	9.4	490.7	289.2	1,093.9	218.2	524.6	524.1
June	778.4	945.0	475.2	39.2	32.5	9.2	492.8	289.7	1,114.6	126.3	613.9	503.6
1967-68—												
July	780.8	941.8	470.7	35.1	30.3	8.5	491.7	288.5	1,068.6	93.2	728.2	451.5
August	797.5	954.5	469.2	31.7	27.8	8.8	498.7	278.1	1,055.2	148.6	719.8	421.5
September	806.9	966.1	471.8	30.7	25.0	9.0	519.6	284.7	1,066.7	254.9	688.4	375.3
October	808.9	971.1	475.6	29.7	22.8	8.4	528.1	295.4	1,092.6	301.0	686.0	329.7
November	815.7	974.5	484.1	28.6	20.9	8.6	532.1	271.0	1,084.2	329.5	699.8	280.8
December(b)	882.0	1,058.1	494.6	28.3	19.1	8.9	519.9	193.3	1,040.1	361.9	668.5	320.6
January	842.2	1,015.9	507.9	24.4	17.1	9.6	509.7	187.8	1,010.4	219.1	680.6	431.2
February	824.3	987.1	502.4	39.9	15.1	8.8	504.3	168.8	1,006.3	128.9	694.6	465.3
March	831.7	992.6	589.9	54.9	13.5	9.5	496.2	191.5	991.9	162.4	712.9	449.7
April	869.6	1,025.3	473.3	53.9	29.4	9.2	484.3	199.0	1,019.9	148.3	755.8	419.2
May	843.4	1,005.7	463.1	54.0	44.4	8.5	483.0	173.1	1,037.0	64.0	824.7	375.0
June	849.7	1,009.1	457.8	50.3	45.3	8.6	496.6	184.0	1,023.7	74.7	866.0	356.0
1968-69—												
July	853.8	1,010.1	456.9	47.4	43.3	8.3	521.3	170.9	997.5	113.9	906.2	309.5
August	871.8	1,030.5	456.2	47.4	41.2	8.3	545.3	171.8	1,011.3	186.4	889.7	277.9
September	879.5	1,037.3	455.0	47.3	39.7	9.0	560.5	186.6	993.1	308.8	825.3	268.3
October	882.2	1,043.1	471.1	48.0	37.9	8.1	567.6	188.5	1,014.4	382.9	763.4	263.7
November	895.7	1,051.8	513.4	45.2	36.1	8.3	584.8	206.1	1,041.5	520.8	702.6	240.9
December(b)	948.5	1,129.8	536.8	43.6	34.7	8.1	578.7	210.4	1,051.2	653.1	646.2	251.7
January	932.9	1,104.9	549.1	43.2	33.3	9.7	588.0	220.4	1,041.6	595.3	570.3	401.5
February	910.4	1,074.5	561.6	39.5	31.2	5.6	591.8	233.4	1,120.3	381.4	518.6	577.5
March	919.8	1,078.3	570.9	36.8	30.2	5.9	591.3	250.6	1,180.6	275.4	541.0	626.9
April	951.1	1,111.7	575.1	33.6	28.4	6.0	580.0	265.4	1,197.4	167.7	638.8	656.4

(a) Farm Development Loan Fund was established in April 1966.

(b) Excludes one Wednesday.

RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA(a)

RURAL CREDITS DEPARTMENT: ADVANCES

Period	\$ million	Period	\$ million
Average of weekly figures		Average of weekly figures	
1958-59	93.5	1967-68—	
1959-60	125.2	November	186.8
1960-61	144.7	December(b)	211.2
1961-62	137.0	January	328.0
1962-63	133.4	February	357.2
1963-64	143.7	March	332.0
1964-65	161.0	April	301.5
1965-66	195.8	May	264.1
1966-67	245.9	June	229.8
1967-68	283.0		
1966-67—		1968-69—	
March	430.2	July	214.0
April	424.0	August	183.7
May	407.2	September	160.2
June	372.1	October	159.2
1967-68—		November	150.6
July	342.6	December(b)	139.2
August	323.7	January	301.5
September	275.1	February	469.7
October	233.5	March	515.6
		April	529.6

(a) Prior to January 1960, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

(b) Excludes one Wednesday.

COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT BANK OF AUSTRALIA(a)

ADVANCES

(\$ million)

Period	Hire purchase	Other	Period	Hire purchase	Other
Average of weekly figures			Average of weekly figures		
1958-59	34.7	30.2	1967-68—		
1959-60	35.7	31.9	November	55.5	157.3
1960-61	37.9	35.1	December(b)	56.5	161.1
1961-62	39.9	48.7	January	55.9	161.4
1962-63	41.5	61.7	February	54.0	162.0
1963-64	43.6	71.6	March	53.1	163.0
1964-65	49.1	87.0	April	53.7	164.4
1965-66	52.4	106.8	May	54.5	166.4
1966-67	53.6	134.5	June	55.4	170.8
1967-68	54.2	159.6			
1966-67—			1968-69—		
March	51.8	139.5	July	56.5	172.8
April	51.8	141.6	August	56.9	174.6
May	52.3	144.2	September	57.3	176.1
June	52.7	148.0	October	58.4	177.8
1967-68—			November	61.0	180.0
July	53.1	149.3	December(b)	62.5	184.1
August	53.0	151.4	January	62.0	184.7
September	52.8	153.6	February	59.4	184.7
October	53.4	155.4	March	56.6	185.2
			April	56.4	185.9

(a) Prior to 14 January 1960, Industrial Finance and Mortgage Bank Departments of Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

(b) Excludes one Wednesday.

MAJOR TRADING BANKS(a)

SELECTED LIABILITIES AND ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(b)

(\$ million)

Period	Deposits				Coin, bullion, notes, and cash with Reserve Bank	Commonwealth and State Government securities		Loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market	Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank	Loans, advances and bills discounted(c)				
	Fixed	Current	Total			Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other			Temporary advances to wool-buyers (d)	Term loans (e)	Other (f)	Total	
			Original	Seasonally adjusted									Original	Seasonally adjusted
Average of weekly figures														
1962-63.	1,194	2,614	3,808	..	158.8	68.6	748.7	64.0	423.6	83.7	24.2	2,013	2,121	..
1963-64.	1,338	2,847	4,185	..	137.1	109.6	866.2	64.4	530.3	108.7	84.4	2,020	2,213	..
1964-65.	1,679	2,995	4,674	..	144.6	114.1	932.3	74.6	700.6	109.3	152.4	2,169	2,430	..
1965-66.	1,943	2,984	4,927	..	160.8	87.7	987.4	70.6	606.8	114.3	190.9	2,404	2,709	..
1966-67.	2,087	3,157	5,244	..	152.4	85.4	1,169.4	82.3	475.1	121.1	233.9	2,616	2,971	..
1967-68.	2,275	3,328	5,603	..	153.5	84.5	1,190.9	75.3	478.6	109.4	275.8	2,965	3,350	..
1966-67—														
March.	2,149	3,367	5,516	5,342	151.0	174.2	1,334.8	83.5	486.6	138.9	244.5	2,579	2,962	3,042
April.	2,136	3,236	5,373	5,308	155.3	78.0	1,203.8	86.0	490.3	121.1	247.0	2,718	3,086	3,068
May.	2,138	3,172	5,310	5,356	160.0	34.9	1,121.5	79.5	480.7	116.8	251.6	2,768	3,137	3,100
June.	2,129	3,136	5,265	5,357	160.0	24.1	1,065.8	73.5	474.0	113.7	255.9	2,811	3,181	3,129
1967-68—														
July.	2,150	3,109	5,258	5,416	151.7	22.8	1,063.1	86.9	469.6	107.8	259.6	2,877	3,244	3,159
August.	2,170	3,128	5,298	5,461	150.2	23.4	1,092.8	79.9	468.1	75.6	264.2	2,889	3,229	3,189
September.	2,200	3,142	5,342	5,485	150.4	40.8	1,143.3	76.2	470.7	86.2	266.4	2,876	3,229	3,223
October.	2,235	3,212	5,447	5,514	153.1	46.8	1,173.0	72.9	474.5	102.8	269.2	2,939	3,311	3,278
November.	2,283	3,309	5,592	5,581	149.4	63.2	1,215.5	88.6	482.9	115.9	269.1	2,927	3,312	3,306
December(g).	2,310	3,407	5,717	5,628	173.8	75.2	1,270.5	78.4	493.4	118.6	274.9	2,913	3,307	3,325
January.	2,327	3,492	5,819	5,678	167.0	193.4	1,320.5	96.1	506.6	101.5	276.2	2,889	3,267	3,333
February.	2,333	3,483	5,816	5,613	152.7	224.1	1,339.0	59.0	501.1	120.2	278.5	2,889	3,288	3,410
March.	2,340	3,492	5,831	5,648	150.1	186.7	1,299.2	63.7	488.6	126.7	280.7	2,947	3,354	3,444
April.	2,319	3,441	5,759	5,694	147.1	88.9	1,208.5	61.0	472.0	131.6	285.2	3,087	3,504	3,483
May.	2,331	3,358	5,689	5,738	150.4	28.8	1,117.4	61.2	461.9	119.2	289.9	3,150	3,559	3,517
June.	2,302	3,396	5,698	5,798	150.4	25.1	1,071.8	74.0	456.5	115.2	296.7	3,186	3,597	3,541
1968-69—														
July.	2,335	3,348	5,683	5,854	146.6	38.6	1,055.5	67.9	455.7	96.8	301.6	3,264	3,662	3,566
August.	2,365	3,303	5,668	5,842	147.6	34.6	1,067.5	79.6	454.9	67.2	305.3	3,303	3,676	3,631
September.	2,386	3,359	5,745	5,899	148.4	56.7	1,118.3	90.7	453.7	82.9	306.4	3,275	3,665	3,659
October.	2,423	3,464	5,887	5,959	148.9	66.7	1,154.3	82.7	469.8	115.3	313.4	3,288	3,717	3,680
November.	2,486	3,493	5,979	5,967	148.1	80.8	1,176.6	100.3	512.1	141.4	323.6	3,240	3,705	3,700
December(g).	2,506	3,604	6,110	6,015	175.4	60.6	1,204.2	99.9	535.4	154.4	333.7	3,230	3,718	3,736
January.	2,561	3,700	6,261	6,108	167.2	158.4	1,349.9	106.2	547.6	134.6	345.1	3,207	3,687	3,760
February.	2,594	3,755	6,349	6,126	154.3	206.0	1,437.8	97.0	560.1	135.8	351.4	3,146	3,633	3,766
March.	2,611	3,768	6,379	6,179	149.0	194.6	1,443.5	99.3	569.4	145.6	353.7	3,177	3,676	3,774
April.	2,634	3,722	6,356	6,287	152.6	100.5	1,380.0	80.2	573.5	141.4	356.1	3,322	3,820	3,797

(a) Commonwealth Trading Bank, Australia and New Zealand Bank Ltd, The Bank of Adelaide, Bank of New South Wales, The Commercial Bank of Australia Ltd, The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney Ltd, The English, Scottish and Australian Bank Ltd, The National Bank of Australasia Ltd. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Excludes loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market. (d) These advances represent temporary finance for the purchase of wool in Australia pending transfer to overseas or local principals. (e) Loans made from Term Loan Fund Account. (f) Includes from June 1966, loans made from Farm Development Loan Fund Account. (g) Excludes one Wednesday.

MAJOR TRADING BANKS(a)

RATIOS OF SELECTED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES TO TOTAL DEPOSITS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(b)

(per cent)

Period	Liquid assets and Commonwealth Government Securities				Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank	Loans advances and bills discounted (c)	Deposits not bearing interest
	Cash and cash at Reserve Bank	Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other Commonwealth and State Government Securities	Total			
Average of weekly figures							
1962-63	3.6	1.8	19.7	25.1	11.1	55.7	62.7
1963-64	3.3	2.6	20.7	26.6	12.7	52.9	61.9
1964-65	3.1	2.4	20.0	25.5	15.0	52.0	58.0
1965-66	3.3	1.8	20.0	25.1	12.3	55.0	54.2
1966-67	2.9	1.6	22.3	26.8	9.1	56.7	54.0
1967-68	2.7	1.5	21.3	25.5	8.5	59.8	53.2
1966-67—							
March	2.7	3.2	24.2	30.1	8.8	53.7	54.9
April	2.9	1.5	22.4	26.7	9.1	57.4	54.2
May	3.0	0.7	21.1	24.8	9.1	59.1	53.7
June	3.0	0.5	20.2	23.7	9.0	60.4	53.5
1967-68—							
July	2.9	0.4	20.2	23.5	8.9	61.7	52.7
August	2.8	0.4	20.6	23.9	8.8	60.9	52.6
September	2.8	0.8	21.4	25.0	8.8	60.4	52.6
October	2.8	0.9	21.5	25.2	8.7	60.8	52.8
November	2.7	1.1	21.7	25.5	8.6	59.2	52.9
December(d)	3.0	1.3	22.2	26.6	8.6	57.8	53.9
January	2.9	3.3	22.7	28.9	8.7	56.1	54.2
February	2.6	3.9	23.0	29.5	8.6	56.5	53.9
March	2.6	3.2	22.3	28.1	8.4	57.5	53.8
April	2.6	1.5	21.0	25.1	8.2	60.8	53.4
May	2.6	0.5	19.6	22.8	8.1	62.6	52.7
June	2.6	0.4	18.8	21.9	8.0	63.1	53.0
1968-69—							
July	2.6	0.7	18.5	21.8	8.0	64.5	52.4
August	2.6	0.6	18.8	22.0	8.0	64.8	51.7
September	2.6	1.0	19.5	23.0	7.9	63.8	51.8
October	2.5	1.1	19.6	23.3	8.0	63.1	52.3
November	2.5	1.4	19.7	23.5	8.6	62.0	52.0
December(d)	2.9	1.0	19.7	23.6	8.8	60.8	52.9
January	2.7	2.5	21.6	26.8	8.7	58.9	53.1
February	2.4	3.2	22.6	28.3	8.8	57.2	53.1
March	2.3	3.1	22.6	28.0	8.9	57.6	53.0
April	2.4	1.6	21.7	25.7	9.0	60.1	52.4

(a) See footnote (a) page 61.
money market.

(b) Includes Papua and New Guinea.
(d) Excludes one Wednesday.

(c) Excludes loans to authorised dealers in the short-term

MAJOR TRADING BANKS(a)

NEW AND INCREASED LENDING COMMITMENTS AND OVERDRAFT LIMITS

(Source: Reserve Bank of Australia)

(\$ million)

New and increased lending commitments(b)				Overdraft limits(c)	
Weekly average for period ending second Wednesday of—	Aggregate	Term Loan component	Farm Development Loan Fund component	At second Wednesday of—	Total outstanding
1962-63(d)	22.2	1.8	..	July—	
1963-64(d)	22.5	1.7	..	1963	3,642.7
1964-65(d)	21.7	1.4	..	1964	3,801.0
1965-66(d)	22.8	1.3	0.1	1965	3,932.2
1966-67(d)	31.4	2.5	0.5	1966	4,098.4
1967-68(d)	33.2	2.1	0.5	1967	4,512.9
				1968	4,982.3
1966-67—				1966-67—	
March	42.6	3.3	0.6	March	4,335.8
April	35.2	2.0	0.5	April	4,403.0
May	35.9	3.2	0.7	May	4,458.9
June	31.1	2.7	0.8	June	4,506.0
1967-68—				1967-68—	
July	36.9	5.9	0.6	July	4,512.9
August	32.6	2.0	0.6	August	4,550.5
September	30.7	1.7	0.5	September	4,584.1
October	28.4	1.5	0.5	October	4,608.0
November	33.5	1.7	0.6	November	4,638.2
December	34.5	1.6	0.6	December	4,693.5
January	29.7	1.7	0.4	January	4,725.9
February	29.7	2.3	0.4	February	4,741.9
March	34.8	2.6	0.4	March	4,789.0
April	38.5	2.0	0.5	April	4,854.8
May	35.9	2.1	0.4	May	4,892.4
June	34.9	2.9	0.5	June	4,939.8
1968-69—				1968-69—	
July	35.5	2.6	0.6	July	4,983.9
August	41.1	8.3	0.5	August	5,033.2
September	30.7	2.0	0.6	September	5,050.1
October	35.6	4.6	0.5	October	5,072.1
November	31.9	2.0	0.6	November	5,101.7
December	33.1	4.2	0.7	December	5,111.7
January	26.2	1.5	0.4	January	5,112.4
February	32.4	1.9	0.5	February	5,124.3
March	34.3	3.1	0.6	March	5,125.3
April	37.3	3.2	0.8	April	5,161.7

(a) See footnote (a) page 61.

(b) This series has been compiled from information supplied by the major trading banks as at second Wednesday of each month. The figures represent gross new lending commitments of banks and do not take account of cancellations and reductions of existing limits. Figures for cancellations and reductions of existing limits can be estimated from this series (after deducting term loan and farm development loan components and adjusting the weekly average to a monthly basis) in conjunction with that of overdraft limits. However, such estimates should be regarded as an approximation only, since there are unavoidable differences in the basis of compilation of the two series.

(c) Excludes limits in respect of temporary advances to woolbuyers, term loans and farm development loans.

(d) Year ended second Wednesday of July.

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS(a)

SELECTED LIABILITIES AND ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(b)

(\$ million)

Period	Deposits				Coin, bullion, notes and cash with Reserve Bank	Commonwealth and State Government securities		Loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market	Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank	Loans (other than loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market), advances and bills discounted
	Fixed	Current		Total		Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other			
		Bearing interest	Not bearing interest							
Average of weekly figures										
1962-63	1,255.5	266.6	2,490.0	4,012.2	149.6	72.1	793.7	68.4	424.5	2,365.3
1963-64	1,422.7	301.1	2,706.2	4,430.0	143.6	114.5	929.7	73.9	531.4	2,487.9
1964-65	1,784.7	328.6	2,838.7	4,951.9	151.7	121.0	1,017.7	85.1	701.6	2,732.0
1965-66	2,073.0	361.0	2,797.8	5,231.7	170.7	89.1	1,080.7	83.8	607.8	3,040.0
1966-67	2,226.9	381.1	2,970.0	5,578.0	161.7	89.3	1,284.4	98.5	476.1	3,319.2
1967-68	2,442.5	409.3	3,126.8	5,978.6	164.4	92.8	1,309.5	90.6	479.8	3,751.1
1966-67—										
March	2,292.7	392.8	3,182.3	5,867.9	161.3	182.1	1,464.4	101.3	487.7	3,307.7
April	2,282.7	381.4	3,064.2	5,728.2	165.7	79.6	1,337.4	104.2	491.4	3,440.3
May	2,283.3	380.9	2,995.2	5,659.4	170.6	35.8	1,251.5	94.8	481.9	3,495.8
June	2,274.8	378.9	2,960.0	5,613.7	172.3	24.6	1,187.0	88.8	475.2	3,547.8
1967-68—										
July	2,301.8	391.2	2,911.8	5,604.8	162.2	23.9	1,181.9	99.1	470.7	3,619.2
August	2,330.4	401.7	2,923.3	5,655.5	160.6	24.2	1,209.0	96.1	469.2	3,609.3
September	2,363.8	391.2	2,950.7	5,705.7	160.8	41.9	1,260.4	92.4	471.8	3,617.5
October	2,402.1	397.9	3,015.7	5,815.7	163.8	48.4	1,293.8	89.2	475.6	3,705.3
November	2,453.1	408.9	3,106.5	5,968.6	160.0	67.2	1,335.7	105.2	484.1	3,713.9
December c	2,480.9	382.8	3,236.7	6,100.5	184.9	82.5	1,388.8	92.3	494.6	3,712.6
January	2,498.5	398.6	3,309.5	6,206.6	179.2	217.4	1,438.5	111.1	507.9	3,663.2
February	2,502.1	409.4	3,289.2	6,200.7	163.7	248.2	1,457.0	70.9	502.4	3,687.5
March	2,509.7	419.6	3,284.7	6,214.1	161.0	206.3	1,417.8	75.8	489.9	3,760.2
April	2,493.5	424.8	3,223.7	6,142.0	157.7	98.3	1,327.4	73.5	473.3	3,919.2
May	2,506.3	429.8	3,139.0	6,075.1	161.4	32.9	1,238.0	76.3	463.1	3,982.0
June	2,472.9	448.6	3,165.5	6,086.9	161.4	27.5	1,189.3	87.7	457.8	4,022.2
1968-69—										
July	2,513.9	440.8	3,120.9	6,075.6	157.3	39.6	1,171.0	90.2	456.9	4,091.5
August	2,545.8	439.0	3,073.8	6,058.6	158.3	35.7	1,182.9	98.5	456.2	4,099.8
September	2,564.7	453.1	3,120.9	6,138.7	159.2	58.0	1,233.0	109.6	455.0	4,093.6
October	2,604.4	456.8	3,230.5	6,291.6	160.2	68.3	1,273.0	105.4	471.1	4,146.8
November	2,674.5	456.8	3,261.4	6,392.7	160.1	83.7	1,304.3	120.9	513.4	4,138.2
December c	2,696.1	441.7	3,388.5	6,526.3	187.3	66.1	1,326.3	120.8	536.8	4,151.7
January	2,755.3	434.0	3,488.5	6,677.8	178.3	171.2	1,485.2	125.0	549.1	4,106.7
February	2,787.6	447.6	3,533.4	6,768.6	162.9	224.9	1,578.0	116.2	561.2	4,046.2
March	2,809.0	449.3	3,547.4	6,805.7	157.9	213.5	1,586.5	117.7	570.9	4,097.1
April	2,834.5	458.9	3,492.4	6,785.8	161.8	109.9	1,528.4	98.1	575.1	4,245.9

(a) Covers the Major Trading Banks, and in addition the Bank of China, Bank of New Zealand, The Brisbane Permanent Building and Banking Co. Ltd, Banque Nationale de Paris, the General Bank Department of the Rural Bank of New South Wales, State Bank of South Australia and the Rural Department of the Rural and Industries Bank of Western Australia. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Excludes one Wednesday.

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS(a)

DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS

(Excluding debits to Australian Government Account at city branches in State capitals)

(\$ million)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Total
Average of weekly figures—									
1958-59	497.8	449.5	140.5	92.4	61.5	27.7	1.6	4.0	1,274.8
1959-60	592.6	629.1	158.3	106.8	69.7	31.0	1.9	5.4	1,494.7
1960-61	644.9	565.9	163.8	116.0	75.7	32.5	2.0	6.7	1,607.5
1961-62	654.0	590.0	164.4	116.2	80.4	32.1	2.2	7.9	1,647.1
1962-63	713.1	650.5	185.1	131.6	88.2	35.1	2.5	10.2	1,816.4
1963-64	824.8	733.2	213.2	155.1	96.4	37.1	2.8	11.5	2,073.9
1964-65	935.2	825.3	232.9	170.4	106.3	41.3	3.4	14.5	2,329.3
1965-66	949.0	847.7	232.5	172.8	122.4	43.2	3.8	15.3	2,386.7
1966-67	1,080.2	940.0	256.9	184.4	138.6	47.3	4.5	17.0	2,668.9
1967-68	1,257.9	1,041.8	289.2	201.7	169.1	51.3	5.8	21.2	3,038.0
1966-67—									
March	1,028.4	862.5	237.0	178.8	138.3	48.5	4.2	16.5	2,514.2
April	1,164.8	1,007.0	275.7	196.8	149.9	52.9	4.5	20.1	2,871.7
May	1,170.1	994.5	258.2	196.6	150.4	53.2	4.9	19.9	2,847.8
June	1,140.9	1,002.6	266.0	183.9	141.7	49.1	5.2	20.0	2,809.5
1967-68—									
July	1,269.6	1,055.2	292.1	197.6	154.0	54.3	5.6	18.5	3,046.9
August	1,083.0	943.8	260.0	182.7	145.5	47.9	5.5	17.4	2,685.9
September	1,145.3	967.4	282.1	181.9	140.1	46.6	5.6	17.3	2,786.5
October	1,143.9	998.2	288.1	198.8	160.7	50.9	5.8	19.6	2,866.0
November	1,237.5	1,027.4	302.2	204.8	169.0	49.1	6.7	18.9	3,015.6
December	1,296.4	1,113.2	307.7	211.3	176.6	55.1	5.9	22.7	3,188.9
January	1,116.4	923.9	253.6	178.3	164.8	44.5	5.6	14.9	2,702.0
February	1,338.2	1,040.9	289.8	214.0	190.7	50.0	5.3	19.0	3,148.0
March	1,355.7	1,083.2	292.9	211.1	181.1	54.8	5.3	22.0	3,206.2
April	1,353.5	1,123.8	309.5	223.7	178.7	54.8	5.4	26.3	3,275.6
May	1,373.3	1,098.9	296.3	208.2	184.8	53.4	6.2	28.8	3,250.0
June	1,437.0	1,169.4	306.9	216.7	185.8	56.7	6.7	30.1	3,409.3
1968-69—									
July	1,530.6	1,226.0	337.3	219.9	190.7	59.3	7.3	29.3	3,600.5
August	1,329.5	1,094.9	283.8	201.1	177.0	49.0	6.6	28.1	3,169.9
September	1,423.7	1,170.5	315.1	210.3	177.9	50.2	6.6	28.2	3,382.5
October	1,448.4	1,162.1	324.0	212.7	202.7	52.1	6.8	30.1	3,438.9
November	1,523.3	1,234.2	324.8	229.9	204.8	54.9	7.0	32.8	3,611.6
December	1,651.3	1,353.0	360.8	241.9	224.9	64.5	7.9	37.8	3,942.1
January	1,384.1	1,041.9	295.6	211.2	217.0	45.9	6.3	29.8	3,231.7
February	1,720.6	1,238.9	331.7	240.9	228.4	57.3	7.4	48.3	3,873.6
March	1,563.2	1,250.0	326.4	238.6	220.4	60.0	8.0	66.0	3,732.7
April	1,537.5	1,264.6	334.4	236.2	216.9	59.0	7.9	86.2	3,742.7

(a) Includes in addition to the banks included in series on page 64 the Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank and Commonwealth Development Bank.

SAVINGS BANKS

DEPOSITS

(\$ million)

At end of—	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
June 1959	976.5	916.9	333.3	314.3	143.0	84.9	4.5	9.2	(a)2,782.7	2,778.9
" 1960	1,083.1	999.2	365.2	332.0	157.2	92.7	5.2	10.8	(a)3,045.4	3,047.0
" 1961	1,138.3	1,034.9	374.2	333.5	161.4	94.8	5.5	12.3	(a)3,154.9	3,156.6
" 1962	1,250.0	1,141.7	411.7	362.0	181.0	102.5	6.2	14.7	(a)3,469.8	3,467.0
" 1963	1,408.0	1,298.1	470.4	416.1	208.8	112.8	7.0	18.5	(a)3,939.7	3,942.4
" 1964	1,583.2	1,479.0	542.3	475.8	239.8	124.8	8.1	23.3	(a)4,476.2	4,471.3
" 1965	1,719.6	1,620.4	593.0	519.3	261.7	135.7	9.2	27.6	(a)4,886.6	4,880.2
" 1966	1,827.8	1,746.0	637.7	558.9	292.9	148.4	10.6	31.6	(a)5,253.7	5,253.4
" 1967	1,984.3	1,926.7	700.0	605.2	330.8	167.1	12.5	38.0	(a)5,764.7	5,756.1
" 1968	2,125.8	2,085.5	757.0	643.7	373.6	177.8	14.4	43.7	(a)6,221.5	6,221.5
1966-67—										
March	1,903.0	1,863.6	669.7	587.3	318.2	161.7	11.5	36.2	5,551.3	5,598.1
April	1,910.5	1,860.6	670.8	586.9	319.1	162.3	11.8	36.2	5,558.2	5,646.0
May	1,937.6	1,879.9	681.6	587.6	322.6	164.3	12.1	37.1	(a)5,622.7	5,705.6
June	1,984.3	1,926.7	700.0	605.2	330.8	167.1	12.5	38.0	(a)5,764.7	5,756.8
1967-68—										
July	1,999.4	1,948.2	707.8	610.4	333.9	169.2	12.9	39.0	5,820.7	5,804.4
August	2,022.2	1,969.9	716.7	615.2	341.0	171.8	13.6	39.9	5,890.2	5,851.3
September	2,039.7	1,992.4	725.6	619.3	347.5	173.3	14.0	40.3	5,952.2	5,899.5
October	2,054.4	2,012.7	730.1	624.5	350.5	173.9	14.2	40.9	6,001.2	5,943.2
November	2,061.0	2,024.3	734.2	628.2	352.9	174.2	14.2	41.6	6,030.5	5,978.3
December	2,052.5	2,024.6	734.1	628.5	353.6	173.5	14.0	40.7	6,021.4	6,008.0
January	2,062.7	2,035.6	731.8	629.6	355.7	174.1	13.9	42.7	6,046.1	6,049.8
February	2,071.4	2,042.4	735.0	632.3	359.3	175.1	13.7	41.9	6,071.1	6,078.6
March	2,068.6	2,039.2	733.7	632.2	361.7	175.5	13.6	43.1	6,067.6	6,112.0
April	2,066.4	2,026.2	730.7	626.9	362.2	175.1	13.7	42.2	6,043.4	6,149.3
May	2,090.7	2,052.3	740.0	629.0	366.8	176.2	13.9	42.9	(a)6,111.9	6,192.7
June	2,125.8	2,085.5	757.0	643.7	373.6	177.8	14.4	43.7	(a)6,221.5	6,222.3
1968-69—										
July	2,143.7	2,104.9	766.6	646.8	378.2	179.8	15.2	44.8	6,280.0	6,260.6
August	2,162.3	2,129.8	775.5	651.1	386.1	182.9	15.9	45.4	6,349.1	6,297.9
September	2,174.4	2,140.0	781.9	651.0	392.1	183.5	16.3	46.0	6,385.1	6,338.2
October	2,194.8	2,159.3	787.5	655.1	398.6	183.9	16.8	46.4	6,442.4	6,377.9
November	2,203.3	2,182.7	791.7	659.0	400.0	184.7	16.8	46.7	6,484.8	6,418.9
December	2,194.5	2,170.6	789.4	658.0	397.2	183.5	16.4	46.6	6,456.3	6,452.5
January	2,214.5	2,183.8	787.6	663.0	401.5	184.1	16.1	47.3	6,497.9	6,500.8
February	2,227.8	2,200.9	791.9	670.5	404.5	186.5	16.1	48.2	6,546.5	6,546.0
March	2,221.1	2,189.4	789.0	670.9	403.5	186.8	16.1	47.6	6,524.5	6,584.0
April	2,229.9	2,189.3	791.1	671.4	404.4	187.3	16.4	47.9	6,537.8	6,648.9

(a) Interest added 1958-59, \$70.7m; 1959-60 \$80.3m; 1960-61, \$89.4m; 1961-62, \$105.4m; 1962-63, \$116.7m; 1963-64, \$114.8m; 1964-65, \$139.8m; 1965-66, \$159.5m; 1966-67, \$173.0m; 1967-68, \$189.9m. The major part of this interest was added in May and June.

SAVINGS BANKS

SELECTED ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(a)

(\$ million)

At end of—	Coin, bullion and notes	Deposits with Reserve Bank	Deposits with trading banks	Common- wealth Government securities(b)	Local and semi- governmental securities	Loans to authorised dealers in the short- term money market	Loans, advances and bills discounted	
							Housing	Other
June 1959	6.5	249.1	102.3	1,480.3	497.9	(c)	522.0	
" 1960	5.8	272.2	104.1	1,587.7	568.9	3.4	544.0	59.4
" 1961	8.7	277.1	89.1	1,578.7	622.8	15.3	612.5	66.7
" 1962	9.9	319.0	111.8	1,665.1	703.9	27.6	678.7	71.4
" 1963	9.5	366.2	119.0	1,827.2	835.5	39.0	793.9	80.7
" 1964	10.1	430.2	123.1	1,994.3	955.6	34.2	997.8	96.0
" 1965	10.8	430.3	117.5	2,066.1	1,092.3	28.8	1,185.2	131.7
" 1966	10.7	419.2	129.0	2,125.8	1,198.8	34.2	1,358.5	176.5
" 1967	12.3	492.5	136.3	2,184.5	1,328.5	50.5	1,548.8	222.3
" 1968	13.3	497.2	145.5	2,271.1	1,486.5	23.9	1,751.2	266.2
1966-67—								
March	13.4	490.5	149.9	2,200.5	1,305.8	32.6	1,476.7	216.8
April	13.1	485.8	133.4	2,191.4	1,312.8	40.0	1,488.2	218.3
May	14.4	489.8	141.8	2,186.2	1,321.1	41.0	1,504.0	223.0
June	12.3	492.5	136.3	2,184.5	1,328.5	50.5	1,548.8	222.3
1967-68—								
July	13.8	491.0	137.1	2,212.3	1,347.0	48.9	1,559.3	225.4
August	11.8	506.9	137.2	2,230.1	1,369.5	59.1	1,573.6	227.4
September	11.3	523.8	141.8	2,262.7	1,382.0	48.9	1,589.5	232.1
October	13.5	530.0	134.8	2,283.3	1,402.0	56.2	1,602.1	237.3
November	13.7	528.7	136.7	2,292.9	1,428.0	52.3	1,616.5	242.3
December	15.9	513.3	120.3	2,304.9	1,439.0	31.8	1,637.3	246.8
January	14.1	507.8	138.3	2,316.1	1,449.6	26.8	1,643.4	248.4
February	13.7	498.6	143.2	2,327.9	1,461.1	31.5	1,657.5	250.3
March	13.9	491.7	135.1	2,335.7	1,470.2	31.1	1,675.1	254.0
April	14.7	475.9	149.1	2,316.5	1,476.7	15.4	1,690.1	256.6
May	13.9	498.2	143.2	2,297.1	1,479.9	27.2	1,705.4	262.0
June	13.3	497.2	145.5	2,271.1	1,486.5	23.9	1,751.2	266.2
1968-69—								
July	13.5	536.4	160.2	2,236.6	1,501.4	28.4	1,767.4	269.0
August	13.6	555.1	167.3	2,249.9	1,516.6	41.6	1,779.4	273.0
September	14.7	558.4	175.8	2,264.7	1,530.0	29.0	1,795.1	277.9
October	12.8	578.9	176.3	2,276.8	1,548.8	32.2	1,813.3	280.8
November	14.9	594.1	171.1	2,286.5	1,570.7	32.6	1,826.2	287.7
December	16.0	575.7	164.4	2,264.6	1,584.9	19.3	1,845.6	293.8
January	14.4	592.2	171.9	2,281.3	1,598.4	30.2	1,852.2	294.9
February	15.9	590.4	171.0	2,298.1	1,612.0	42.7	1,862.3	297.6
March	16.2	585.1	161.1	2,286.9	1,627.8	29.1	1,880.2	300.5
April	14.9	575.3	180.0	2,277.9	1,638.6	26.4	1,899.2	300.9

(a) Includes assets in Papua, New Guinea and Norfolk Island. (b) Includes Treasury bills and Treasury notes. (c) Not available.
Short-term money market established in February 1959.

FINANCE COMPANIES

The following series of statistics cover the main types of lending by finance companies in Australia, including instalment credit for retail sales, wholesale hire purchase, other consumer and commercial loans (comprising personal loans, mortgage loans and advances), factoring, leasing and bills of exchange. Information on the scope of these statistics and the definition of items are included in the bulletin *Finance Companies, 1968* (Ref. No. 5.13), which in addition contains more detailed statistics. Supplementary classifications are also provided for the instalment credit for retail sales transactions of finance companies. Amount financed is classified by type of commodity and collections and other liquidations is divided between cash collections and other liquidations.

AMOUNT FINANCED BY TYPE OF AGREEMENT (\$ million)

Period	Instalment credit for retail sales	Wholesale hire purchase	Other consumer and commercial loans				Factoring	Total
			Personal loans	Mortgage loans	Commercial loans			
					Repayable at call or within 90 days	Other		
Monthly average								
1964-65	53.9	40.2	5.3	18.6	22.0	12.9	7.4	160.3
1965-66	51.1	40.7	5.9	18.6	24.0	12.8	6.7	159.7
1966-67	57.4	59.9	8.0	23.3	26.9	10.6	5.7	191.8
1967-68	68.1	71.2	9.7	28.3	32.1	11.1	6.2	226.8
Monthly total								
1967-68—								
February	64.3	70.9	9.0	25.1	21.5	10.2	6.5	207.6
March	66.8	80.8	9.8	29.9	29.4	16.7	6.6	239.9
April	68.5	75.0	9.3	30.5	23.7	12.1	6.0	225.1
May	77.3	91.1	11.1	34.0	44.3	13.3	6.5	277.6
June	65.9	75.1	10.4	30.4	31.6	11.3	6.5	231.2
1968-69—								
July	72.8	79.4	11.1	32.7	45.8	18.7	6.4	267.0
August	69.2	73.8	9.6	29.4	41.0	14.4	6.3	243.8
September	69.0	71.7	9.6	30.2	38.8	13.6	5.9	238.8
October	87.6	85.5	10.3	37.2	47.6	17.2	6.9	292.3
November	83.3	78.2	11.0	37.0	51.0	16.6	7.2	284.4
December	81.5	82.5	12.8	47.2	33.7	16.2	7.0	280.9
January	70.7	56.9	8.0	27.6	42.4	12.2	4.2	222.2
February	69.8	74.6	8.4	34.0	57.1	12.7	6.7	263.3
March	77.7	81.2	10.1	38.6	58.7	15.0	6.5	287.8

COLLECTIONS AND OTHER LIQUIDATIONS OF BALANCE BY TYPE OF AGREEMENT (\$ million)

Period	Contracts including charges			Contracts excluding charges					Total all contracts
	Instalment credit for retail sales	Other consumer and commercial loans	Total	Wholesale hire purchase	Commercial loans repayable at call or within 90 days	other consumer and commercial loans	Factoring	Total	
Monthly average									
1964-65	61.0	22.4	83.4	40.5	21.4	17.6	8.6	88.1	171.5
1965-66	64.9	24.0	88.9	39.6	22.6	18.2	7.8	88.2	177.1
1966-67	71.3	26.0	97.3	58.7	28.4	19.5	6.4	113.0	210.3
1967-68	76.2	28.4	104.6	69.7	30.2	21.8	6.9	128.6	233.2
Monthly total									
1967-68—									
February	84.0	28.7	112.7	66.0	20.4	20.8	7.1	114.3	227.0
March	81.2	29.1	110.4	69.5	27.8	20.9	6.8	125.0	235.4
April	77.1	29.5	106.5	69.8	34.0	22.2	6.3	132.3	238.8
May	83.1	30.6	113.7	86.2	25.5	24.2	7.7	143.7	257.4
June	73.4	27.7	101.2	76.7	42.1	25.2	7.3	151.3	252.4
1968-69—									
July	85.4	32.5	117.9	81.7	35.7	31.2	8.0	156.6	274.5
August	78.8	31.6	110.4	72.4	28.8	24.3	6.7	132.2	242.6
September	77.5	30.9	108.4	70.0	39.6	28.5	6.6	144.6	253.1
October	87.8	32.7	120.4	82.1	55.4	30.0	7.6	175.1	295.6
November	80.0	34.5	114.4	77.7	34.2	24.6	7.3	143.8	258.2
December	85.0	35.4	120.4	79.2	60.6	36.7	7.4	183.9	304.4
January	82.8	29.0	111.8	70.1	34.7	24.1	8.9	137.8	249.7
February	90.9	30.0	120.8	71.8	39.4	25.0	6.9	143.1	264.0
March	94.0	36.4	130.4	81.1	50.7	30.1	6.7	168.6	299.0

FINANCE COMPANIES

BALANCES OUTSTANDING BY TYPE OF AGREEMENT

(\$ million)

At end of—	Contracts including charges			Contracts excluding charges					Total all contracts (a)
	Instalment credit for retail sales	Other consumer and commercial loans	Total	Wholesale hire purchase	Commercial loans repayable at call or within 90 days	Other consumer and commercial loans	Factoring	Total	
Australia									
At end of									
1964-65	977.5	477.8	1,455.3	64.1	39.5	233.8	25.6	363.1	1,818.3
1965-66	990.1	491.1	1,481.2	78.4	64.2	266.7	21.8	431.0	1,912.3
1966-67	1,087.6	547.8	1,635.4	100.7	48.4	300.9	21.7	471.8	2,107.2
1967-68	1,222.4	636.3	1,858.7	126.9	69.7	360.2	23.7	580.5	2,439.1
Month									
1967-68—									
February	1,177.8	602.9	1,780.7	104.0	70.2	327.9	22.4	524.5	2,305.2
March	1,182.8	609.7	1,792.5	115.9	72.0	340.8	23.1	551.8	2,344.3
April	1,194.0	616.3	1,810.3	121.9	61.5	348.9	23.6	555.9	2,366.2
May	1,211.5	628.3	1,839.8	127.5	80.2	355.5	23.5	586.7	2,426.6
June	1,222.4	636.3	1,858.7	126.9	69.7	360.2	23.7	580.5	2,439.1
1968-69—									
July	1,230.3	643.4	1,873.7	125.3	79.6	365.6	21.1	591.6	2,465.3
August	1,240.6	652.2	1,892.8	127.3	89.4	371.8	21.9	610.3	2,503.1
September	1,252.4	657.4	1,909.8	129.8	88.5	373.8	22.0	614.1	2,523.9
October	1,276.3	668.0	1,944.4	133.8	79.9	382.7	22.6	619.0	2,563.4
November	1,302.4	674.7	1,977.1	135.0	97.5	396.0	23.3	651.9	2,629.0
December	1,321.7	686.9	2,008.6	139.0	70.2	407.3	23.8	640.3	2,648.8
January	1,329.0	688.4	2,017.4	126.6	78.1	413.7	20.0	638.2	2,655.6
February	1,328.2	695.6	2,023.9	130.0	95.1	422.9	21.0	669.0	2,692.9
March	1,334.6	704.5	2,039.1	131.2	103.3	425.8	22.0	682.3	2,721.4

States—at end of March 1969

New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory	531.6	306.2	837.9	52.4	63.6	206.2	10.8	332.9	1,170.7
Victoria	324.2	124.2	448.4	29.0	27.7	106.9	9.6	173.1	621.5
Queensland	199.4	105.5	305.0	20.2	(b)	43.2	(b)	63.4	368.4
South Australia and Northern Territory	121.0	82.4	203.3	13.9	7.5	35.7	(b)	57.2	260.5
Western Australia	116.8	84.5	201.3	11.9	(b)	39.6	(b)	51.5	252.8
Tasmania	41.6	1.6	43.2	3.8	(b)	0.5	(b)	4.3	47.5
Australia	1,334.6	704.5	2,039.1	131.2	(c) 103.3	(c) 425.8	(c) 22.0	682.3	2,721.4

(a) Amounts shown in this column are intended to provide a broad overall measure of total balances outstanding. Movement in this series may be affected, however, by changes in the proportions of the two components of the series to the total. (b) Not available separately; included in other commercial loans. (c) Components may not add to totals.

FINANCE COMPANIES

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES, AMOUNT FINANCED, CASH COLLECTIONS
AND OTHER LIQUIDATIONS AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING
(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period					Collections and other liquidations during period			Balance outstanding at end of period	
	New motors	Used motors	Household and personal goods	Plant and machinery	Total	Cash collections	Other liquidations	Total		
Australia										
Year—										
1964-65	266.5	270.4	71.4	39.1	647.3	698.1	33.9	732.0	977.5	
1965-66	249.3	250.1	70.2	43.0	612.7	747.0	31.9	778.9	990.1	
1966-67	254.9	262.1	120.9	51.3	689.3	823.5	31.5	855.0	1,087.6	
1967-68	318.2	302.2	137.3	59.0	816.6	883.9	29.9	913.8	1,222.4	
Month—										
1968—										
January	25.2	24.7	8.7	4.3	62.8	69.0	1.9	70.9	1,178.4	
February	25.7	24.5	9.5	4.5	64.3	81.4	2.6	84.0	1,177.8	
March	27.4	24.8	9.8	4.9	66.8	78.8	2.5	81.2	1,182.8	
April	26.0	25.8	11.7	4.9	68.5	74.5	2.6	77.1	1,194.0	
May	29.8	28.4	13.3	5.8	77.3	80.3	2.8	83.1	1,211.6	
June	24.6	24.3	11.4	5.7	65.9	70.5	2.9	73.4	1,222.4	
July	26.3	27.6	12.8	6.1	72.8	82.2	3.2	85.4	1,230.3	
August	26.1	28.0	10.6	4.5	69.2	76.1	2.7	78.8	1,240.6	
September	25.8	26.9	11.4	4.8	69.0	75.0	2.5	77.5	1,252.4	
October	31.3	31.5	15.8	9.0	87.6	84.3	3.4	87.8	1,276.3	
November	30.3	29.6	14.1	9.3	83.3	77.0	3.0	80.0	1,302.4	
December	31.3	29.1	14.4	6.7	81.5	82.0	3.1	85.0	1,321.7	
1969—										
January	26.6	29.6	8.8	5.7	70.7	80.2	2.6	82.8	1,329.0	
February	26.4	27.0	9.5	6.9	69.8	88.0	2.9	90.9	1,328.2	

States—February 1969

New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory	10.3	9.3	5.3	2.6	27.5	35.0	1.3	36.3	527.9
Victoria	7.2	6.8	2.2	1.3	17.5	19.6	0.5	20.1	322.0
Queensland	3.1	4.3	1.0	1.4	9.8	12.4	0.5	12.9	199.1
South Australia and Northern Territory	2.5	2.9	0.6	0.3	6.3	7.7	0.3	8.0	120.6
Western Australia	2.6	2.9	0.3	0.9	6.6	10.7	0.3	11.0	116.8
Tasmania	0.6	0.9	0.2	0.3	2.0	2.5	0.1	2.6	41.7
Australia	26.4	27.0	9.5	6.9	69.8	88.0	2.9	90.9	1,328.2

BUSINESS EQUIPMENT AND PLANT ON LEASE (\$ million)

Period	Initial capital cost of goods newly leased during period	Balances outstanding at end of period
Australia		
Year—		
1966-67(a)	77.6	129.5
1967-68	125.0	190.9
Month—		
1968—		
February	9.6	169.2
March	11.1	174.2
April	11.8	180.6
May	13.1	186.5
June	10.9	190.9
July	13.2	196.0
August	10.6	200.8
September	11.1	205.5
October	13.1	212.0
November	11.7	216.8
December	12.1	222.5
1969—		
January	11.2	225.9
February	10.8	230.7
March	12.6	235.4
States—March 1969		
New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory	4.4	87.7
Victoria	3.0	63.4
Queensland	2.6	42.2
South Australia and Northern Territory	1.2	20.9
Western Australia	1.0	16.4
Tasmania	0.3	4.8
Australia	12.6	235.4

(a) Balance outstanding at 30 June 1965 amounted to \$70.4 million, and at 30 June 1966 to \$89.4 million. The value of initial capital cost of goods newly leased is available only from June 1966.

TRANSACTIONS IN BILLS OF EXCHANGE
(\$ million)

(a) Details prior to June 1966 are not available.

LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS(a)

Period	New policies issued (excluding annuities)(b)						Premiums(c)			Claims, etc., paid(d)			New loans paid over (e)
	Ordinary business		Industrial business		Superannuation business		Ordinary	Industrial	Superannuation	Ordinary	Industrial	Superannuation	
	Number	Sum insured	Number	Sum insured	Number	Sum insured							
	'000	\$m	'000	\$m	'000	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Monthly average													
1958-59	26.3	86.9	16.0	5.4	..	..	16.0	2.5	..	6.2	1.7	..	11.5
1959-60	33.6	115.2	15.8	5.6	..	..	17.8	2.6	..	6.8	1.7	..	11.9
1960-61	27.7	98.9	15.1	7.2	(f)7.6	(f)35.3	19.4	2.6	..	8.7	2.2	..	13.9
1961-62	26.5	102.9	13.8	7.8	6.3	39.4	(g)22.1	2.7	..	(g)9.1	2.3	..	9.5
1962-63	26.1	105.6	12.0	8.8	6.7	41.6	17.2	2.7	6.6	7.5	2.1	2.6	10.6
1963-64	28.2	120.1	10.8	9.5	6.3	52.6	19.2	2.8	7.4	8.0	2.0	3.1	13.3
1964-65	28.9	125.9	10.6	9.7	6.8	67.9	20.7	2.8	8.4	9.0	2.1	3.8	14.8
1965-66	29.0	137.6	10.9	10.4	7.8	75.5	22.5	3.0	10.0	10.0	2.4	4.2	15.5
1966-67	32.0	160.4	11.2	11.3	7.9	82.7	25.0	3.2	11.3	11.7	2.1	5.0	13.6
1967-68	33.2	191.7	11.4	12.1	7.3	95.8	28.2	3.1	13.5	13.0	1.7	5.9	16.2
Monthly total													
1966-67—													
January	21.3	107.6	3.9	3.9	4.8	48.3	20.4	1.1	9.2	8.7	1.4	3.5	9.0
February	25.4	124.9	10.9	10.4	5.8	55.1	23.0	2.6	9.8	10.2	1.9	4.2	13.3
March	29.5	147.4	10.9	10.9	5.4	59.9	25.4	3.1	11.6	11.9	1.8	6.2	12.5
April	29.8	148.0	11.1	11.4	8.0	55.1	23.2	3.2	10.0	10.7	1.4	4.3	13.0
May	35.3	178.8	14.8	14.5	7.2	67.7	27.5	3.2	12.4	13.3	1.9	4.6	15.3
June	39.1	199.0	11.3	11.4	9.3	77.1	36.1	4.3	16.2	14.6	1.7	6.5	13.6
1967-68—													
July	34.8	180.8	15.6	16.0	7.4	79.5	28.8	2.6	13.0	14.4	1.7	6.0	14.0
August	33.6	171.8	11.6	12.0	8.4	833.6	26.7	3.0	11.3	13.5	1.8	6.0	17.1
September(b)	39.4	210.6	14.1	14.6	10.5	111.0	26.8	3.5	13.3	12.2	1.7	6.6	15.7
October	33.3	174.4	12.0	12.8	7.3	67.2	26.2	3.3	14.0	13.3	1.8	5.4	15.3
November	33.3	178.2	11.6	12.9	7.3	62.5	25.3	3.2	10.7	13.2	1.8	5.0	16.9
December(b)	35.6	236.6	8.8	10.0	7.4	287.0	27.6	4.1	16.0	12.0	1.4	7.0	18.8
January	19.3	107.7	3.7	3.9	6.3	57.2	22.0	1.1	11.7	8.6	1.1	4.9	10.5
February	25.9	143.6	11.0	11.1	7.2	67.0	25.2	2.9	11.8	13.0	1.7	4.5	16.0
March	34.3	188.3	11.9	13.0	5.5	83.9	29.2	3.6	14.1	12.9	1.9	7.9	15.3
April	29.6	167.3	11.7	12.6	4.5	72.3	25.2	3.0	12.9	12.6	1.8	4.8	15.7
May	37.2	208.2	11.1	12.0	8.6	86.7	32.3	4.0	14.7	14.9	2.1	6.2	21.5
June	41.9	333.4	13.8	14.4	7.5	91.4	42.6	3.0	18.2	15.1	1.8	6.6	17.2
1968-69—													
July	45.5	274.5	13.2	14.4	9.2	92.4	38.6	3.3	15.5	16.1	2.1	6.2	18.7
August	37.3	230.1	10.4	11.9	6.5	115.2	28.4	3.6	12.5	14.1	1.8	5.5	17.5
September(b)	37.5	225.2	15.3	17.0	9.1	142.8	31.4	3.3	13.9	13.8	1.8	7.5	23.7
October	33.3	209.2	9.8	11.2	6.7	79.7	29.4	3.4	14.4	14.4	1.9	5.6	17.3
November	34.6	221.6	11.5	13.5	7.5	91.5	28.5	3.9	13.0	13.6	1.9	5.0	14.4
December	40.7	282.8	8.8	10.5	9.8	337.8	32.2	4.7	16.8	13.9	1.6	7.3	22.3
January	21.0	136.1	3.4	3.9	7.9	53.2	26.2	1.2	13.0	10.8	1.2	5.2	14.6
February	28.3	181.2	10.7	11.9	5.5	75.7	27.1	3.0	11.4	12.5	1.7	6.6	16.7

(a) Excludes business of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance Office which operate only in New South Wales and Queensland respectively. Figures compiled from monthly returns. (b) Relates to periods during which policies were recorded in company registers, which may be subsequent to periods in which written. Recordings tend to concentrate more in the last month of a company's year; months mainly affected are September and December. (c) Includes consideration for annuities. (d) Includes claims paid on death or maturity, payments made on surrender of policies, annuities and bonuses paid in cash. (e) Excludes 'advances of premiums'. (f) Figures for earlier periods not available separately; included with ordinary business. (g) Includes superannuation business. Separate details of superannuation business were available from the last six months of 1961-62.

LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS(a)

SELECTED ASSETS HELD IN AUSTRALIA(b) BY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES

(\$ million)

At end of—	Fixed assets	Loans(c)				Investments			
		On mortgage		On policies	Other	Govt. securities	Local and Semi-govt. securities	Debentures and notes	Shares
		Housing	Other incl. rural						
June 1960	102.4	267.2	400.4	65.0	48.0	452.2	227.8	156.4	156.0
June 1961	133.4	301.2	432.4	79.8	54.4	457.0	224.2	222.4	209.2
June 1962(d)	159.8	306.6	452.0	87.8	52.2	523.2	242.2	220.8	241.0
June 1963	192.4	317.0	466.6	96.0	45.2	621.6	249.8	240.0	293.0
June 1964	233.0	323.3	500.7	103.9	40.1	689.1	266.4	284.9	351.1
June 1965	284.8	338.5	537.0	113.6	42.8	757.3	268.2	328.0	414.1
September 1965	301.6	341.3	554.3	118.1	42.9	773.9	269.2	330.8	426.0
December 1965	319.9	350.1	568.4	120.5	41.5	798.8	272.9	339.4	437.8
March 1966	335.3	353.4	574.0	125.3	40.6	821.1	275.7	346.4	444.3
June 1966	354.2	355.6	586.6	129.5	40.7	845.9	276.2	353.8	453.8
September 1966	371.8	356.3	596.2	132.0	40.6	872.5	277.4	365.1	467.4
December 1966	388.2	363.7	605.4	135.2	39.9	914.9	278.9	374.7	481.5
March 1967	392.9	364.8	609.4	138.4	39.1	958.4	283.5	377.7	492.3
June 1967	404.4	365.8	615.1	142.2	40.8	988.7	287.3	385.0	509.1
September 1967	417.5	366.2	625.5	144.5	40.7	1,027.7	294.9	394.7	524.1
December 1967	431.4	373.8	641.3	148.0	39.8	1,065.1	300.4	397.9	543.0
March 1968	439.4	374.9	649.1	152.4	43.8	1,087.8	310.1	407.9	560.7
June 1968	460.3	378.2	665.3	157.8	48.1	1,110.8	312.5	425.3	576.9
September 1968	475.9	381.5	680.7	162.0	53.6	1,147.6	319.0	438.7	605.3
December 1968	502.8	387.9	693.9	166.7	49.3	1,146.5	350.0	455.5	629.0

(a) Excludes details of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance Office. Items shown are the balances according to the companies' ledgers as at the date at which the information was supplied without adjustment for any accrued or outstanding interest or other items which had not been brought into account as at that date. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Excludes 'advances of premiums'. (d) Details at the end of March 1962, and subsequent dates are not strictly comparable with information for earlier dates. Details prior to March 1962, include 'other classes of business' while subsequent details relate to life insurance business only.

SHORT TERM MONEY MARKET

SELECTED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF AUTHORISED DEALERS AND RATES OF INTEREST ON LOANS

(Source: Reserve Bank of Australia)

Month	Liabilities to clients			Selected assets				Interest rates on loans accepted during month				Weighted average interest rate on loans outstanding (b)
	All cheque-paying banks	Other clients	Total	Commonwealth Government securities (face value)			Commercial bills (a)	At call		For fixed periods		
				Treasury notes	Other	Total		Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	
Average of weekly figures—\$ million								Per cent per annum				
June 1962	55.8	177.1	232.9	..	242.3	242.3	..	2.00	4.00	3.00	3.88	3.45
June 1963	58.0	209.1	267.1	53.6	233.3	286.8	..	2.00	4.25	3.13	4.25	3.75
June 1964	67.3	253.6	320.8	38.2	303.0	341.2	..	1.50	4.50	3.38	4.50	3.71
June 1965	93.7	219.0	312.7	8.4	335.0	343.4	7.6	1.50	6.00	2.00	5.53	4.16
June 1966	74.8	275.4	350.2	10.7	362.6	373.3	25.2	3.00	6.10	4.25	5.80	4.73
June 1967	88.8	367.6	456.4	13.7	454.1	467.7	32.8	2.00	6.50	3.00	5.50	4.46
June 1968	87.7	406.5	494.2	116.2	375.1	491.3	35.7	3.00	6.75	3.75	5.40	4.29
1967-68—												
January	111.1	361.6	472.7	197.6	284.2	481.8	16.0	1.00	6.50	2.00	5.40	3.88
February	70.9	429.0	499.9	240.3	266.9	507.2	15.9	1.00	6.50	2.00	5.40	4.31
March	75.8	452.0	527.8	257.4	278.6	536.0	18.8	1.00	6.50	3.25	5.75	4.10
April	73.5	419.6	493.1	174.2	319.2	493.4	25.9	2.00	6.50	3.50	5.50	4.24
May	76.3	414.4	490.7	137.5	357.5	494.9	30.2	1.00	6.50	3.00	5.50	4.23
June	87.7	406.5	494.2	116.2	375.1	491.3	35.7	3.00	6.75	3.75	5.40	4.29
1968-69—												
July	90.2	408.8	499.0	127.6	359.6	487.1	34.0	1.00	6.50	3.75	5.50	4.19
August	98.5	421.7	520.2	128.6	385.7	514.3	28.5	3.00	6.50	3.50	5.75	4.16
September	109.6	416.1	525.7	148.6	389.9	538.5	29.6	0.50	6.50	3.25	5.75	4.07
October	105.4	422.0	527.4	132.2	413.8	546.1	19.9	0.50	6.25	2.00	6.00	4.18
November	120.9	424.0	544.9	139.8	400.1	539.9	24.6	1.00	7.00	2.50	5.25	3.83
December	120.8	416.7	537.5	132.1	412.2	544.3	23.0	1.00	6.25	3.25	6.00	4.18
January	125.0	408.5	533.5	142.0	390.6	532.5	20.2	2.00	6.25	3.00	6.00	3.94
February	116.2	436.3	552.5	170.2	387.0	557.2	17.8	1.50	7.00	3.00	6.50	4.07
March	117.7	447.7	565.4	181.0	399.1	580.2	17.0	1.00	7.00	2.50	6.00	4.52

(a) Since 22 March 1965, authorised dealers have been permitted to hold, in addition to Commonwealth Government securities, a limited proportion of their portfolios in specified bills of exchange. (b) As at last Wednesday.

INTERNATIONAL RESERVES, EXCHANGE RATES, GOLD PRICES, SECURITY YIELDS, PRIVATE FIRST MORTGAGES

Period	Inter- national reserves (a)	Exchange rates(b)			Gold prices(b)		Commonwealth Government securities yield(c)			Private first mortgages registered in New South Wales (f)
		Australia on London (d)	London on New York (d)	Australia on New York (e)	Australia	London	Theo- retical 2 years	Theo- retical 10 years	Theo- retical 20 years	
	\$m	\$A per £stg	\$US per £stg	\$US per \$A	\$A per fine oz.	£stg per fine oz.	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent (g)
1961-62	1,096.5	2.505	2.810	1.118	31.25	12.505	4.59	4.97	5.12	8.8
1962-63	1,224.9	2.505	2.802	1.115	31.25	12.526	4.21	4.66	4.90	8.9
1963-64	1,672.1	2.505	2.798	1.114	31.25	12.534	3.92	4.36	4.57	8.7
1964-65	1,354.3	2.505	2.790	1.110	31.25	12.583	4.66	4.88	5.09	8.7
1965-66	1,375.0	2.505	2.786	1.113	31.25	12.561	4.98	5.15	5.25	8.8
1966-67	1,198.3	2.505	2.793	1.111	31.25	12.598	4.68	5.08	5.25	8.9
1967-68	1,092.4	2.290	2.553	1.112	31.25	(h) 36.38	4.72	5.07	5.25	9.2
1966-67—										(i)
March	1,174.7	2.505	2.796	1.113	31.25	12.570	4.50	5.02	5.25	9.1
April	1,157.9	2.505	2.799	1.114	31.25	12.566	4.52	5.03	5.25	9.2
May	1,197.1	2.505	2.797	1.113	31.25	12.577	4.51	5.04	5.25	9.0
June	1,198.3	2.505	2.791	1.111	31.25	12.604	4.52	5.03	5.25	8.9
1967-68—										
July	1,156.8	2.505	2.787	1.109	31.25	12.623	4.53	5.02	5.25	9.0
August	1,151.3	2.505	2.785	1.108	31.25	12.633	4.53	5.01	5.25	9.1
September	1,143.3	2.505	2.784	1.108	31.25	12.639	4.51	5.01	5.25	9.3
October	1,170.4	2.505	2.783	1.108	31.25	12.645	4.51	5.03	5.25	9.2
November	(j) 1,145.6	2.380	2.645	1.113	31.25	13.369	4.75	5.02	5.25	9.2
December	1,092.3	2.147	2.407	1.118	31.25	14.622	4.71	5.10	5.25	9.1
January	1,131.3	2.147	2.409	1.118	31.25	14.602	4.80	5.11	5.25	9.1
February	1,102.2	2.147	2.409	1.119	31.25	14.605	4.84	5.11	5.25	9.1
March	1,117.1	2.147	2.400	1.114	31.25	14.680	4.86	5.10	5.25	9.2
April	1,095.8	2.147	2.402	1.115	31.25	(h) 37.86	4.87	5.12	5.25	9.3
May	1,142.5	2.147	2.389	1.109	31.25	40.70	4.85	5.11	5.25	9.2
June	1,092.4	2.147	2.385	1.107	31.25	41.14	4.84	5.11	5.25	9.2
1968-69—										
July	1,079.3	2.147	2.390	1.109	31.25	39.47	4.84	5.11	5.25	9.2
August	1,060.3	2.147	2.391	1.110	31.25	39.19	4.83	5.11	5.25	9.2
September	1,036.5	2.147	2.388	1.108	31.25	40.19	4.83	5.12	5.25	9.1
October	1,091.0	2.147	2.390	1.110	31.25	39.21	4.82	5.13	5.25	9.1
November	1,174.0	2.147	2.387	1.109	31.25	39.78	4.72	4.89	5.02	9.2
December	1,143.5	2.147	2.384	1.107	31.25	41.14	4.68	4.91	5.03	9.3
January	1,200.4	2.147	2.387	1.108	31.25	42.30	4.70	4.92	5.04	9.3
February	1,293.8	2.147	2.392	1.110	31.25	42.60	4.75	4.92	5.04	9.2
March	1,289.9	2.147	2.392	1.114	31.25	43.16	4.78	4.93	5.04	9.3
April	1,337.9	2.147	2.392	1.115	31.25	43.26	4.90	4.96	5.07	9.2

(a) Source: Reserve Bank. Net gold and foreign exchange holdings (official and banking institutions). See page 41, Reserve Bank of Australia statistical bulletin, financial supplement, September 1963, for a description of this series. Annual and December figures as at end of period, other figures last Wednesday of month. (b) Average of daily quotations based on daily returns from Reuters Economic Services. (c) Source: Reserve Bank. Yields are to last date of redemption. Income tax rebate of 10c in the dollar has not been taken into account. Excludes the effect of brokerage. Figures relate to last Wednesday in month. (d) Average of buying and selling rates for telegraphic transfers. (e) Selling rate. Direct quotation. (f) Includes all mortgages for corporations (other than banks and building societies) and individuals except abnormal amounts of \$2m or more in months in which large mortgages are few in number. (g) Weighted average twelve months. (h) From 1 April 1968 quoted in \$US. (i) Three monthly moving average ended month shown. (j) Reserves fell by \$24.8 million between the last Wednesdays in October and November. This fall includes a loss of approximately \$113 million resulting from the devaluation of United Kingdom and New Zealand currencies.

INTEREST RATES

(Per cent per annum)

Date of change in rate	Trading banks—						Savings bank deposits (predominant rate) (d)	Commonwealth loans (long-term)
	Fixed deposits—					Overdrafts (maximum rate)—major trading banks		
	30 days but less than 3 months(a)	3 months but less than 12 months	12 months but less than 18 months(b)	18 months	Over 18 months to 24 months(c)			
1961—								
1 July	..	4.00	4.25	..	..	(e) 7.00	3.50	5.375
1962—								
7 February	..	4.00	4.25	..	..	(e) 7.00	3.50	5.000
13 April	..	3.75	4.00	..	..	7.00	3.50	5.000
1963—								
1 April	..	3.25	3.50	..	..	6.50	3.50	5.000
1 May	..	3.25	3.50	..	..	6.50	3.00	5.000
23 July	..	3.25	3.50	..	..	6.50	3.00	4.500
1964—								
8 April	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	..	6.50	3.00	4.500
27 April	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	..	7.00	3.00	4.500
14 May	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	..	7.00	3.00	4.625
1 June	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	..	7.00	3.25	4.625
13 August	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	..	7.00	3.25	5.000
29 September	3.75	3.75	4.00	4.00	4.25	7.00	3.25	5.000
1965—								
10 March	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.50	4.50	7.25	3.25	5.000
1 April	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.50	4.50	7.25	3.50	5.000
13 April	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.50	4.50	7.25	3.50	5.250
1966—								
17 August	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.50	7.25	3.50	5.250
1968—								
27 June	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.25	3.50	5.250
1 August	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.25	3.75	5.250
14 October	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.50	3.75	5.250
7 November	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.50	3.75	5.400

(a) Prior to 8 April 1964, banks were not permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods less than 3 months. From 8 April 1964, banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits in excess of \$100,000 for periods of 30 days but less than 3 months at rates not exceeding the maximum rates shown. (b) From 17 November 1960, to 9 September 1962, banks did not accept fixed deposits for periods longer than 12 months. From 10 September 1962, to 28 September 1964, banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods up to 15 months. From 29 September 1964, banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods from 12 to 18 months. (c) From 29 September 1964, banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods over 18 months to 24 months. (d) The trustee savings banks and two State savings banks offer slightly higher rates. (e) Average rate on all advances not to exceed 6 per cent.

COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT SHORT-TERM DEBT AND BANK BALANCES (\$ million)

Date	Treasury bills	Treasury notes	Bank balances	Total	Date	Treasury bills	Treasury notes	Bank balances	Total
30 June—					1967–68—				
1959	342.0	..	25.1	316.9	30 November	344.0	376.6	(a) 42.8	763.4
1960	402.0	..	27.3	374.7	31 December	347.0	439.7	(a) 62.4	849.1
1961	372.0	..	28.8	343.2	31 January	136.0	668.4	(a) 73.2	877.7
1962	416.0	..	18.8	397.2	29 February	131.0	701.0	(a) 83.4	915.4
1963	246.0	138.8	19.9	365.1	31 March	164.0	631.3	(a) 56.7	852.0
1964	178.0	152.6	20.9	309.7	30 April	55.0	385.6	(a) 71.8	512.4
1965	116.0	80.4	24.5	172.0	31 May	47.0	299.2	(a) 73.7	420.0
1966	80.0	116.1	24.8	171.3	30 June	141.0	273.7	25.6	389.2
1967	90.0	90.2	25.7	154.5					
1968	141.0	273.7	25.6	389.2					
1966–67—					1968–69—				
31 March	426.0	237.1	(a) 67.5	730.7	31 July	182.0	253.7	(a) 45.8	481.5
30 April	273.0	108.3	(a) 71.1	452.4	31 August	266.0	277.7	(a) 93.6	637.3
31 May	182.0	80.5	(a) 59.7	322.2	30 September	283.0	343.7	(a) 114.0	740.7
30 June	90.0	90.2	25.7	154.5	31 October	441.0	345.5	(a) 77.5	864.0
1967–68—					30 November	589.0	354.2	(a) 84.6	1,027.8
31 July	62.0	90.0	(a) 83.5	235.5	31 December	664.0	390.0	(a) 98.1	1,152.1
31 August	222.0	101.4	(a) 85.9	409.3	31 January	527.0	552.4	(a) 48.5	1,127.9
30 September	300.0	181.3	(a) 66.5	547.8	28 February	301.0	573.4	(a) 82.2	956.6
31 October	307.0	253.3	(a) 68.0	628.3	31 March	222.0	526.9	(a) 86.3	835.1
					30 April	83.0	350.4	(a) 81.7	515.1

(a) Overdraft

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE(a)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS

(\$ million)

Period	New South Wales(a)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Six States	Commonwealth	Grand total(b)
Revenue									
1963-64	684.5	444.4	260.9	203.0	167.9	68.4	1,829.1	3,809.4	4,885.1
1964-65	729.1	480.7	267.1	214.2	180.1	75.8	1,947.1	4,418.2	5,587.2
1965-66	771.6	508.6	294.5	228.8	206.7	84.9	2,095.1	4,879.2	6,080.2
1966-67	830.7	559.6	323.8	250.8	228.1	93.8	2,286.9	5,227.7	6,545.5
1967-68	888.1	601.3	357.2	264.5	250.7	101.5	2,463.4	5,760.5	7,174.2
1968-69 (Estimated)	953.2	650.7	377.0	284.3	272.2	105.2	2,642.9	5,974.2	7,489.8
1966-67—									
July-February	528.2	315.2	208.3	162.1	143.6	57.0	1,414.8	2,684.9	3,454.8
July-March	602.9	355.4	234.0	185.7	163.5	66.8	1,608.3	3,212.9	4,099.1
July-April	662.1	398.1	259.8	204.0	180.7	71.9	1,776.5	3,927.1	4,904.3
1967-68—									
July-February	562.6	345.9	252.4	171.7	160.4	60.6	1,553.5	2,928.1	3,798.6
July-March	641.5	387.8	280.2	194.2	181.0	71.7	1,756.4	3,511.0	4,493.2
July-April	715.6	436.8	308.7	214.4	200.5	78.6	1,954.5	4,326.3	5,420.4
1968-69—									
July-February	609.6	387.4	250.9	182.4	175.0	64.7	1,670.1	3,057.1	3,973.3
July-March	694.5	435.9	280.9	207.9	198.1	75.9	1,893.1	3,665.6	4,710.3
July-April	775.0	489.7	311.3	229.3	219.2	83.3	2,107.9	4,498.2	5,665.0
Expenditure									
1963-64	684.0	444.9	260.5	199.8	170.7	69.6	1,829.3	3,809.4	4,885.4
1964-65	734.2	480.7	271.2	216.8	184.8	77.4	1,965.1	4,418.2	5,605.2
1965-66	776.3	516.7	298.0	235.7	206.7	86.9	2,120.3	4,879.2	6,105.4
1966-67	833.8	559.6	323.5	250.7	228.2	94.4	2,290.3	5,227.7	6,548.8
1967-68	887.6	604.1	356.2	267.4	249.9	103.3	2,468.6	5,760.5	7,179.5
1968-69 (Estimated)	957.6	650.7	377.0	284.3	272.2	109.0	2,650.8	5,974.2	7,497.7
1966-67—									
July-February	518.8	345.8	204.9	158.6	147.4	61.0	1,436.4	3,325.7	4,117.1
July-March	589.9	387.7	231.8	179.8	166.4	68.6	1,624.2	3,727.6	4,629.7
July-April	657.8	431.5	258.1	199.6	183.0	75.8	1,805.8	4,108.3	5,114.7
1967-68—									
July-February	576.8	383.0	239.9	172.2	157.0	69.3	1,598.2	3,678.9	4,594.1
July-March	639.4	428.3	269.1	193.3	176.1	76.8	1,783.1	4,081.1	5,090.0
July-April	705.8	476.6	299.1	214.5	194.5	84.7	1,975.5	4,452.2	5,567.3
1968-69—									
July-February	633.9	417.2	241.5	184.8	175.4	76.8	1,729.5	3,739.4	4,715.1
July-March	699.2	465.7	273.6	206.6	195.9	84.3	1,925.5	4,190.4	5,267.5
July-April	782.1	520.4	308.8	230.6	217.7	92.9	2,152.5	4,677.6	5,888.9

(a) Figures for N.S.W. represent combined transactions of consolidated revenue fund and business undertakings—railways, tramways, omnibuses and Sydney Harbour Trust section of Maritime Services Board—included in annual Budget Papers. Adjustments have been made to exclude duplications. (b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals have been adjusted to exclude State payment to the Commonwealth in respect of pay-roll tax and Commonwealth payments to the States included in State consolidated revenue funds in respect of States grants (financial assistance), the interest on State debts, special grants, special financial assistance, grants to universities, tuberculosis capital expenditure and national welfare fund payments. There are other relatively minor payments for which adjustments have not been made and the adjusted figures are therefore still slightly overstated.